

*Westminster, April 28, 1902.*

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Act, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Army (Annual) Act, 1902.

Military Lands Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1902.

Hamilton Gas Order Confirmation Act, 1902.

Lincoln and East Coast Railway and Dock (Abandonment) Act, 1902.

Central Argentine and Rosario Railway Act, 1902.

Finedon Urban District Water Act, 1902.

*Crown Office,*

*April 29, 1902.*

THE KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to present the Reverend John Edmund Sedgwick, M.A., to the Rectory of Fobbing, in the county of Essex and diocese of St. Albans, void by the death of the Reverend William Stephen Thomson, the last Incumbent, and in His Majesty's Gift in full right.

*Crown Office,*

*April 25, 1902.*

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

*Parliamentary Borough of Woolwich.*

Rear-Admiral Charles William de la poer Beresford, U.B., commonly called Lord Charles William de la poer Beresford, in the place of Colonel Edwin Hughes, who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham, in the county of Buckingham.

*Crown Office,*

*April 28, 1902.*

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

*County of Donegal—West Donegal Division.*

Hugh Alexander Law, Esq., in the place of James Boyle, Esq., who has accepted the Stewardship of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.

*Whitehall, April 28, 1902.*

THE KING has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Sir Arthur Wilson, K.C.I.E., late Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta, to be a Member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, under the provisions of the Act 3 and 4 William IV, cap. 41.

*Whitehall, April 28, 1902.*

THE KING has been pleased to give and grant unto John Edward Foley, Esq., Traffic Manager of the Imperial Chinese Railways, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Second Class (Third Grade) of the Imperial Chinese Order of the

Double Dragon, which decoration His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China has conferred upon him in recognition of valuable services rendered to His Imperial Majesty.

*Whitehall, March 26, 1902.*

THE KING has been graciously pleased to grant unto Gerard James Barnes, of Icklingtoun Hall, in the parish of Icklington and county of Suffolk, Gentleman, and to Maud Isabel, his wife, elder daughter and coheir of Sir Robert Jacob Buxton, late of Shadwell Court, in the county of Norfolk, Baronet, deceased, His Royal licence and authority that they may take and use the surname of Buxton in lieu of that of Barnes, that he, the said Gerard James Barnes, may take and bear the arms of Buxton quarterly with his own 'family' arms, and that such surname and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used by the issue of their marriage, the said arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in His Majesty's College of Arms.

*Whitehall, April 18, 1902.*

THE KING has been pleased to grant unto Sir Charles Bennet Lawes, of Rothamsted, in the parish of Harpenden and county of Hertford, Baronet, his Royal licence and authority that he may take and henceforth use the surname of Wittewronge in addition to and after that of Lawes, and that he may bear the arms of Wittewronge quarterly with those of his own family and that such surname and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used by his issue; the said arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in His Majesty's said College of Arms.

*Privy Council Office, April 29, 1902.*

MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1894.

NOTICE is hereby given that, after the expiration of forty days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to His Majesty in Council, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, the draft of an Order in Council approving a Bye-law made by the Trinity House dealing with the Qualifications of Candidates for licences in the London and English Channel Pilotage District.

And notice is hereby further given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies of the proposed draft Order in Council can be obtained by any public body, within forty days of the date of this notice, at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 26, 1902.*

H. 6784.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Annexes to the new Quarantine Rules for the Russian Black Sea Coast, now come