

and carding wool, goat-hair, and camel-hair, and processes incidental thereto.

Copies of the Regulations may be purchased from Messrs. Wyman and Sons, Fetter-lane, E.C.; Messrs. Oliver and Boyd, Edinburgh; or Edward Ponsonby, 116, Grafton-street, Dublin.

Whitehall, 16th December, 1905.

Scottish Office, Whitehall,
December 18, 1905.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 18th instant, to direct the issue of a Commission under the Great Seal in Scotland, granting the Office of His Majesty's Solicitor-General for Scotland to Alexander Ure, Esq., Advocate, LL.B., K.C.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 18, 1905.
H. 16130.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated December 10, from His Majesty's Representative at Stockholm, intimating that the Royal Swedish Board of Trade have made the following alterations in the Plague and Cholera Regulations:—

The Russian province of Astrachan is declared infected with plague.

The Brazilian ports of Rio Grande, Porto Alegre, Victoria, Aracajú, Maranhão, Pará and Manaos are declared free from plague.

The ports in the Persian Gulf are declared free from both plague and cholera.

The places therefore still considered here to be infected are:—

With Plague—

The Russian province of Astrachan, Egypt, Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, Peru, Antofagasta and Pisagua in Chile, the provinces of the Hedjaz Yemen in Arabia, the Ural districts in Asia, the ports of the Shat-el-Arab, British East India, Rangoon in British Burma, the Island of Sumatra, Manila in the Philippines, the Islands of Formosa and Hongkong, Hanoi in Tongking, the ports of Newchwang, Foochow, and Amoy in China, Japan, Madagascar, Port Elizabeth, East London, and Durban in British South Africa.

With Cholera—

Russian Poland, Asiatic Turkey, ports of the Red Sea, ports of British East India, Cochin China, Tongking, China, Japan, Morocco.

Until further notice Kansü, near Gothenburg, as already reported, remains the observation and quarantine station.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896

Ryhope, Seaham, Murton, and South Hetton Light Railways Order.

The Light Railway Commissioners have submitted to the Board of Trade, for confirmation under the above-mentioned Act, an Order made by them for the construction of Light Railways in the urban district of Seaham Harbour, and in the rural districts of Easington and of Sunderland, in the county of Durham.

Any objections to the confirmation of the Order should be addressed to the Assistant-Secretary (Railway Department), Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W., and must be lodged with the Board on or before the 10th January, 1906. These should be accompanied by copies of any clauses or amendments that may be desired to remove the objections, and copies of such objections and clauses or amendments should at the same time be sent to one of the Promoters' Agents named below.

Copies of the Order as submitted for confirmation may be obtained on payment of not exceeding one shilling per copy from Messrs. Loughborough, Gedge, Nisbet, and Drew, 23, Austin Friars, London, E.C.; or Messrs. Longden, Mann, and Longden, Somerset-buildings, Sunderland; or Messrs. Torr and Co., 19, Abingdon-street, Westminster, London, S.W.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens,
London, S.W., 15th December, 1905.

Admiralty, 16th December, 1905.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 28th March, 1903—

Lieutenant George Morrison has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 16th December, 1905.

Admiralty, 18th December, 1905.

The undermentioned Sub-Lieutenants have been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet, viz.:—

The Honourable Evelyn Arthur Grenville Gore Langton.

The Honourable Guy Stopford.

Dated 15th December, 1905.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Fleet Paymaster Bernard Gilbert Lloyd-Evans has been placed on the Retired List at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Paymaster-in-Chief. Dated 17th December, 1905.

Clerk William Holman Ingmire has been promoted to the rank of Assistant Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 28th November, 1905.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Probationary Sub-Lieutenant Alfred John Mathews has been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 21st July, 1905.

War Office, Pall Mall,
19th December, 1905.

1st (King's) Dragoon Guards, The undermentioned to be Second Lieutenants (on probation).
Dated 20th December, 1905:—

Second Lieutenant George Henry Errington, from 4th Battalion, The Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment), in succession to Lieutenant D. M. Gray, appointed Adjutant.

Second Lieutenant Harold Irvine, from Unattached List for Auxiliary Forces, in succession to Lieutenant D. A. Rasbotham, promoted.

3rd (Prince of Wales's) Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant Thomas Scott Kingham, from the