Foreign Office, February 3, 1906.

His Majesty's Government have been informed by the Russian Chargé d'Affaires at this Court that (1) the Region of the Vistula, the Governments of Courland, Esthonia, and Livonia, and the town of Cronstadt have been declared to be in a state of siege, and that the importation into them of all firearms, with the exception of sporting weapons, is prohibited; and (2) that the laws now in force in Finland prohibit the importation of cannon, shells, bombs, and other munitions of war, pneumatic guns, gunpowder, nitro-glycerine, and explosives, as well as of rifles and cartridges.

Factory Department, Home Office, February 5, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. G. Peterkin to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, for the Forfar District of the county of Forfar.

Factory Department, Home Office, February 5, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. E. L. Hunt, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at Sherston, in the county of Wilts, is vacant.

Factory Department, Home Office, February 5, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. R. A. Lambert, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at East Ilsley, in the county of Berks, is vacant.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 5, 1906.

H. 1507.

The Board of Trade have received a copy of the following Proclamation by the Administrator of the Government of the Island of Lucia:—

Saint Lucia.

A PROCLAMATION.

By His Honour Philip Clarke Cork, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order

[L.S.] of Saint Michael and Saint George,
Administrator of the Government of the
Island of Saint Lucia &c., &c., &c.
P. C. Cork.—Administrator.

Whereas on the third day of August, in the Frontier of Transcaspian district a year one thousand nine hundred and five, an medical observation stations there."

Ordinance to provide uniform precautionary measures against the transmission of infectious or contagious diseases from or to other places, shortly titled "The Quarantine Ordinance, 1905," was passed by the Legislative Council of this Colony.

And whereas by section twenty-five of the said Ordinance it is provided that the said Ordinance shall come into operation upon such day as the Governor shall notify by proclamation.

Now, therefore, know ye that I, Philip Clarke Cork, Administrator as aforesaid, do by this Proclamation hereby proclaim and make known and declare to all the inhabitants of this Colony, that the above cited Ordinance, that is to say, "The Quarantine Ordinance, 1905," shall come into operation and have the force and effect of law on and from the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and six.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Colony of Saint Lucia, at the Government Office, in the said Colony, this eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five, and in the fifth year.

of His Majesty's reign.

By his Honour's command.

SAMUEL OKELL,
Chief Clerk, Government Office.

M.P. 1904/1603.

Duly proclaimed in the town of Castries this 19th day of December, 1905.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

J. E. M. Salmon, Sheriff.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 5, 1906.

H. 1646.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated December 21, from His Majesty's Representative at Guayaquil, intimating that the Board of Health at that Port has officially declared that yellow fever now exists there in an epidemic form; and that foul Bills of Health are in consequence issued to all vessels clearing from the Port.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),

London, February 5, 1906.

H. 1742.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated February I, from His Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg:—"It is officially announced that in view of spread towards south of plague in Seistan, unconfirmed reports presence plague Khorassan, Russian Ministry Interior decided close Persian Frontier of Transcaspian district and establish medical observation stations there."