inquiries We hereby appoint Our trusty and well-beloved Charles Clive Bigham, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain in Our Army, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the twenty - first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and six, in the sixth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

H. J. Gladstone.

Whitehall, August 27, 1906.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Sir John McLeavy Brown, late Chief Commissioner of the Corean Customs, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the First Class of the Order of the Tai-Kuk, which decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Corea, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

The Right Honourable Herbert John Glacstone, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, has appointed Sergeant John Sullivan, No. 50,076, of the Royal Irish Constabulary, an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act.

Whitehall, 28th August, 1906.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1901.

In pursuance of section 118 of the above Act, the Right Honourable Herbert John Gladstone, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has been pleased to appoint Sidney Stuart Phillips and Joseph Walsh to be Inspectors' Assistants under the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901.

Whitehall, August 27, 1906.

Factory Department, Home Office, August 22, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. P. J. A. Seccombe, an appointment as Certifying Surgeou, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at West Drayton, in the county of Middlesex, is vacant.

Factory Department, Home Office, August 23, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. Q. R. Whitty, an appointment as Certifying

Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at Hunstanton, in the county of Norfolk, is wacant.

Factory Department, Home Office, August 27, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. G. F. White to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, for the Stanford-le-Hope District of the county of Essex.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, August 27, 1906.

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The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated August 23rd, from His Majesty's Representative at Sofia:—"Trebizond declared to be infected with plague from 14th August."

Admiralty, 28rd August, 1906.

Royal Naval Reserve.

In accordance with the Regulations for the

Royal Naval Reserve— Senior Engineer William Henry Stanley has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 24th August, 1906.

> Admiralty, 24th August, 1906. Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Quartermaster and Honorary Captain William Marriott is granted the honorary rank of Major. Dated 15th August, 1906.

Admiralty, 25th August, 1906.

Paymaster Frederick Matthew Mitchell has this day been advanced to the rank of Staff Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant Charles Henry Lyddon to be Lieutenant. Dated 24th August, 1906.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Captain William George Simpson is seconded for service as Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 4th August, 1906.

Admiralty, 27th August, 1906. Royal Naval Reserve.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Claude Hamilton has been confirmed as Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 5th August, 1904.

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The undermentioned Gentleman has been

appointed a Paymaster, viz.:—
Reginald Arthur Rodgers. Dated 25th
August, 1906.