

*Scottish Office, Whitehall,*  
October 9, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrants under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 1st instant, to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, granting the rank and dignity of Counsel to His Majesty to Neil John Downie Kennedy, Esq., Advocate; Robert Francis Leslie Blackburn, Esq., Advocate; John Graham Stewart, Esq., Advocate; Thomas Brash Morrison, Esq., Advocate; Members of the Scottish Bar.

*Foreign Office,*  
October 12, 1906.

PASSPORTS FOR COLOMBIA.

British Subjects proceeding to the Republic of Colombia are warned that they must provide themselves with passports, *visés* by the Colombian Minister or by a Consul of the Republic in the United Kingdom.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

CHESTERFIELD FAIRS.

Whereas on the 14th August, 1906, a representation was made to the Secretary of State for the Home Department by the Chesterfield Town Council to the effect that Fairs have been held annually at Chesterfield on January 27th, February 28th, the first Saturday in April, May 4th, July 4th, September 25th, and November 25th, except when Sunday has fallen on any one of the dates named, when the Fair has been holden on the following Monday, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should in future be held on the last Saturday in the months of January and February, the first Saturday in the months of April, May, and July, and the last Saturday in the months of September and November, respectively:

And whereas notice of the said representation and of the time when the same would be taken into consideration has been duly published in pursuance of the Fairs Act, 1873:

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should in future be held on the last Saturday in the months of January and February, the first Saturday in the months of April, May, and July, and the last Saturday in the months of September and November, respectively:

Now therefore I, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the Fairs Act, 1873, do hereby order that the Fairs, which have been held annually at Chesterfield on January 27th, February 28th, the first Saturday in April, May 4th, July 4th, September 25th, and November 25th, except when Sunday has fallen on any one of the dates named, when the Fair has been holden on the following Monday, shall in future be held annually on the last Saturday in the months of January and February, the first Saturday in the

months of April, May, and July, and the last Saturday in the months of September and November, respectively.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 10th day of October, 1906.

*H. J. Gladstone.*

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),*  
London, October 12, 1906.

H. 12576.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated October 8th, from His Majesty's Representative at Brussels notifying the removal of the restrictions on imports from Argentina in consequence of the disappearance of plague in that country.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),*  
London, October 12, 1906.

H. 12577.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated October 8th, from His Majesty's Representative at Brussels notifying the imposition of restrictions on imports from Adalia in consequence of the appearance of bubonic plague in that province.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),*  
London, October 12, 1906.

H. 12578.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of two Telegrams, dated October 11, from His Majesty's Representative at The Hague, intimating that Suez has been officially declared infected with plague, and that the provisions of the Venice Convention will be applied to any vessel having left Suez ten days or less before 10th instant. Jeddah has also been officially declared free from plague.

*Admiralty, 9th October, 1906.*

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

Lieutenant Evelyn Aldridge has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 8th October, 1906.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 29th June, 1900—

Engineer Commander George Thomas Kerswell has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 4th October, 1906.

Engineer Lieutenant Ethelbert Spiers Silk has been promoted to the rank of Engineer Commander in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 8th October, 1906.