

*Foreign Office,*  
May 1, 1909.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Captain Maitland Easton Rae, to be His Majesty's Consul at Bunder Abbas, with Consular Jurisdiction in the Shamilat, Lingah, and the Shibkoh Ports, Minab, and the coast of Persia eastwards as far as Gwetter, and in all the islands belonging to Persia in the eastern part of the Persian Gulf.

*Foreign Office,*  
May 5, 1909.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Esmond Ovey, Esq., M.V.O.,  
William Frank Arthur Rattigan, Esq.; and  
Percy Lyham Loraine, Esq.,  
to be Second Secretaries in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

*Foreign Office,*  
May 17, 1909.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Mansfeldt de Cardonnel Findlay, Esq., C.B.,  
C.M.G., to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His Majesty The King of the Bulgarians.

*Foreign Office,*  
May 17, 1909.

The KING has been pleased to approve of—

Mr. Andrew Yule as Consul-General of Sweden at Calcutta, with Consular Jurisdiction also in Ceylon;  
Señor Don Camilo Borja Cordero as Consul-General of Ecuador at London;  
Mr. Kung Hsin-chao as Consul-General of China at Ottawa;  
Dr. Adolf Flockemann as German Consul at Bloemfontein, for the Orange River Colony; and  
Mr. John Edward Burchell as Consul of Norway at Sydney, for Cape Breton Island.

*Foreign Office,*  
May 18, 1909.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Stephen Leech, Esq., to be His Majesty's Minister Resident to the Republic of Cuba, and also His Majesty's Consul-General for that Republic, to reside at Havana.

*Foreign Office,*  
May 19, 1909.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, hereby gives notice that the undermentioned situation is added to Schedule B of the Order in Council dated the 4th June, 1870:—

Cleaner in the Foreign Office.

#### LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

Lampeter, Aberayron, and New Quay Light Railway (Amendment) Order.

The Light Railway Commissioners have submitted to the Board of Trade, for confirmation under the above-mentioned Act, an Order made by them authorising the abandonment of part of the Light Railway authorised by the Lampeter, Aberayron, and New Quay Light Railway Order, 1906, and the substitution of a new Railway in the county of Cardigan, and for other purposes.

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 11th June, 1909. 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 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. Isaac Cooke and Sons (Solicitors), Shannon-court, Bristol, or Messrs. Batten, Proffitt, and Scott, 32, Great George-street, Westminster, London, S.W.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens,  
London, S.W., 18th May, 1909.

*Admiralty,* 18th May, 1909.

Clerk Marcus Blake has been promoted to the rank of Assistant Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 4th May, 1909.

*Royal Naval Reserve.*

Sub-Lieutenant Cedric Arthur Rowlinson to be Lieutenant. Dated 7th May, 1909.

*Admiralty,* 19th May, 1909.

*Royal Marine Artillery.*

Captain John Hyndman Howell - Jones is seconded for service in the Army Ordnance Department.

Captain James Donald Hay Shaw (Supernumerary) is absorbed in the Establishment, vice Howell-Jones, seconded.

Dated 30th April, 1909.

*Admiralty,* 20th May, 1909.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 16th July, 1895—  
Commander George Augustus Crosbie Ward has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 11th May, 1909.