above Act for that branch of the Lace Finishing Trade which is engaged in Machine-made Lace and Net Finishing other than the finishing of the product of Plain Net Machines, have given notice, as required by section 4 (3) of the above Act, that they have fixed minimum piece-rates for the Warp section of the trade.

On application to the Secretary of the Trade Board at the address given below, information will (if in the opinion of the Trade Board the applicant is likely to be affected by such rates)

be given as to the rates fixed.

DATED this 14th day of March, 1912. Signed by order of the Trade Board,

Ernest Aves, Chairman.

Office of Trade Boards,
Trafalgar Buildings,
Northumberland Avenue, W.C.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, April 1, 1912.

H. 4544.

The Board of Trade have received a copy of the following Notice, dated the 22nd March, issued by the Government of Malta:—

GOVERNMENT NOTICE, No. 74.

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor, acting on the advice of the Council of Health, and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Articles 38 and 44 of the Fourth Sanitary Ordinance, has been pleased to amend as follows the Regulations for the prevention of contagious, infectious and epidemic diseases made under the said Ordinance, re-published by Government Notice No. 207 of the 13th July, 1911, and amended by Government Notices No. 224 of the 29th July, 1911, No. 252 of the 22nd August, 1911, No. 294 of the 28th September, 1911, and No. 316 of the 13th October, 1911, viz.:—

Article 3, section 1, Part I of the said Regulations is cancelled, and the following article is substituted therefor, viz.:—

"Immediately on any place being dealt with, or having ceased to be dealt with, as an infected place, a notice to that effect shall be issued for the information of the public."

By command,

J. E. CLAUSON,

Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Secretary to Government. Lieut.-Governor's Office, The Palace, Valletta, March 22, 1912.

Admiralty, 30th March, 1912.

The undermentioned Midshipmen have this day been promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet:—

Arthur Harry Polhill. Arthur Laugham Noakes. Ralph Kerr. Admiralty, 1st April, 1912.

In accordance with the provisions of His late Majesty's Order in Council of 18th October, 1909—

Lieutenant Duncan Walter Grant has this day been placed on the Retired List at his own request.

Lieutenant John Sharpy Schäfer has this day been placed on the Retired List at his own request.

Lieutenant Cyril Goolden has been placed on the Retired List at his own request. Dated 31st March, 1912.

Lieutenant Percy John Helyar has this day been placed on the Retired List, at his own request.

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

Frederick Henry Gunton Turner.
Thomas Aislabie Powell.
Lewis John Pitcairn Jones.
Edward Chicheley Thornton.
Eustace Newton Gerald Maton.
Charles Mackay John Willis.
Lawrence Raikes Higgins.
Francis Howard.
Oscar St. John Swan.
Charles Maxwell Richard Schwerdt.
John Haythorne Steel.
Colin George MacArthur.
Dated 1st April, 1912.

Clerk Francis Jasper Langley has been promoted to the rank of Assistant Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 26th February, 1912.

Admiralty, 3rd April, 1912. Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Major John Hamilton Lambert to be Lieutenant-Colonel by Brevet, under the provisions of Order in Council of 19th March, 1883. Dated 3rd April, 1912.

War Office, 26th March, 1912.

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the decoration of the Royal Red Cross upon Miss Georgina Phœbe Herbert Haines, Matron of the Convalescent Home at Osborne, in recognition of her special devotion and competency in nursing invalid officers of His Majesty's Navy and Army.

War Office,
2nd April, 1912.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

Colonel Gerard M. Heath, D.S.O., from the Half-pay List, to be a Brigadier General, General Staff, and is granted the temporary