tection Act, 1880, does not apply, the killing or taking of Wild Birds on Sundays is prohibited throughout the County Borough of Reading.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 14th day of February, 1913.

R. McKenna,

One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

The Right Honourable Reginald McKenna, 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 Bernard A. O'Reilly (No. 59499), of the Royal Irish Constabulary, to be an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act.

Whitehall, 12th February, 1913.

Downing Street, 12th February, 1913.

The KING has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Charles Forbes Todd, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 13, 1913.

H. 2048.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated the 9th February, from His Majesty's Ambassador at St. Petersburg, stating that Beirut has been declared free from cholera and plague.

As regards Batoum, the Ambassador has received the following information:—

Vessels coming from ports declared to be infected get free pratique after medical inspection provided that there are no cases of cholera or plague on board. When sick men are landed for quarantine, ship is disinfected and gets pratique. Pilgrim ships should proceed to Theodosia for quarantine.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 13, 1913. H. 2052.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Circular, dated the 31st January, from the Imperial and Royal Marine Board at Trieste:—

Several cases of cholera having been officially verified at Odessa, arrivals from the said port will be treated according to Government Circular of August the 12th, 1904, No. 12468, in which the regulations of the International Sanitary Conference of Paris (1903) were published, this in so far as refers to the Maritime Sanitary Service.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 13, 1913.

H 2167

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated the 12th February, from His Majesty's Minister at Athens:—

Medical inspection and disinfection of soiled linen substituted for quarantine on arrivals from Constantinople and Sea of Marmora.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 14, 1913.

H. 2202.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated the 4th February, from His Majesty's Consular Delegate to the Egyptian Quarantine Board, stating that five days' quarantine was then being imposed on all vessels arriving in Egypt from the places mentioned in the lists below. The period of quarantine is reckoned in all cases from the date of the occurrence of the last case of cholera or plague on board.

- 1. Places regarded as infected by cholera:
  —Bombay, Karachi, Negapatam, Calcutta,
  Hongkong, Madras, Manilla, Batavia, Soerabaya, Samarang, Bassein; Singapore; Bunder
  Abbas, Saigon, Rangoon, Mascatte, Tutticorin, Bahrein, Bangkok, Chittagong, Pasoeroean, Bagdad, Kobe, Constantinople,
  Colombo, Pondichery, Camaran, Arabian
  littoral from Gulf of Oman to Aden (excluded), Arabian littoral on the Red Sea
  (owing to pilgrimage).
- 2. Places regarded as infected by plague:
  —Bombay, Antsirane, Ratnagiri, Port Elizabeth, Moulmein, Jamnagar, Mangalore, Soerabaya, Azores, Karachi, Manilla, Mokala, Hanoi, Surat, Mandvi, Bushire, Debay, Kilindini, Calcutta, Maurice, Ermala, Bahrein, Sydney, Salaya, Basrah, Bassein, Mombasa, Hongkong, Amoy, Durban, Rangoon, Newcastle (New South Wales), Adelaide, Bangkok, Casablanca, Shanghai.

Admiralty, 12th February, 1913.

In accordance with the provisions of His late Majesty's Order in Council of 19th March, 1908—

Engineer Commander William Wilkinson Lawrance has this day been placed on the Retired List with permission to assume the rank of Engineer Captain.

Royal Naval Reserve.

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration upon the following officers:—

Commander David Simpson Miller. Engineer William Duncan.