

*Westminster, September 18, 1914.*

This day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

Police Constables (Naval and Military Service) Act, 1914.

National Insurance (Navy and Army) Act, 1914.

Prize Courts (Egypt, Zanzibar and Cyprus) Act, 1914.

Bills of Exchange Act, 1914.

Rates (Proceedings for Recovery) Act, 1914.

Trading with the Enemy Act, 1914.

Irish Police Constables (Naval and Military Service) Act, 1914.

Army Pensions Act, 1914.

Superannuation Act, 1914.

Suspensory Act, 1914.

Navy (Pledging of Certificates, etc.) Act, 1914.

Government of Ireland Act, 1914.

Welsh Church Act, 1914.

*Lord Chancellor's Office,  
House of Lords,  
18th September, 1914.*

**THE COURTS (EMERGENCY POWERS) ACT, 1914.**

The Lord Chancellor has made an additional Rule, to be cited as Rule 4A of the Rules under the above Act, as follows:—

Applications in the King's Bench Division under paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be dealt with by a Master or a District Registrar.

*Foreign Office,  
September 16, 1914.*

His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received communications from the United States Ambassador informing him that during the present hostilities the German and Austro-Hungarian Governments will treat as absolute or conditional contraband those objects and materials which are enumerated in Articles 22 and 24 of the Declaration of London.

*Whitehall, September 16, 1914.*

The KING has been pleased to approve the appointment of Lieutenant-General Sir Edmond Roche Elles, G.C.I.E., K.C.B., to be Vice-Lieutenant for the County of Surrey.

*Whitehall, September 16, 1914.*

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Ellison Thomas Charles Newton Marten, Esquire, late Captain Madras Light Cavalry, and Director of Stores, Ministry of the Interior, Cairo, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of

the Osmanieh, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, September 17, 1914.*

H. 13021.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 16th September, from His Majesty's Consul-General at Alexandria, reporting that quarantine on arrivals from Chios and Mitylene has been removed.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, September 17, 1914.*

H. 13041.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Notice, issued by the Royal Swedish Board of Trade on the 4th September, declaring Piraeus infected with plague.

*Admiralty, 14th September, 1914.*

In accordance with the provisions of Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—

Fleet Surgeon Charles Strickland has this day been placed on the Retired List.

*Royal Naval Air Service.*

The undermentioned Gentleman has been granted a temporary Commission as Flight Lieutenant:—

Charles Henry Butler. Dated 11th September, 1914.

The undermentioned Gentlemen have been granted temporary Commissions as Flight Sub-Lieutenant:—

Ronald Portman Cannon. Dated 11th September, 1914.

Petchell Burt Murray. Dated 12th September, 1914.

*Royal Marine Forces.*

The undermentioned retired Officer is appointed to the Reserve of Officers in the rank last held by him whilst on the Active List:—

Major Harry Douglas Palmer, Royal Marine Light Infantry. Dated 14th September, 1914.

*Admiralty, 15th September, 1914.*

The undermentioned Lieutenants have this day been advanced to the rank of Lieutenant-Commander in His Majesty's Fleet:—

Andrew Wilmot-Smith.

Stanley Evans Thomas.

The Right Honourable Lord Alastair Mungo Graham.

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

John Pitt Cary.

John Ernest Phayre.

Norman Boyd Fleming Peploe.

Gerald Edward Boulton.

Maurice John Hervey Bagot.

John Gilbert Sutton.

Maximilian Carden Despard.

Frank Delamain Morris.

Charles Alfred Wemyss Muir.