spective names) which have been conferred upon them by the President of the Republic of China in recognition of valuable services rendered by them:—

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Board of Trade, Marine Department, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.,

4th November, 1915.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice under the General Rules for Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties and Appeals and Rehearings, 1907, that they have received the Report of the Formal Investigation held at Westminster, on 22nd and 23rd July and 4th and 5th August, 1915, into the loss of the s.s. "Deptford," and during the months of September and October, 1915, the following Reports of Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties held by Courts in British Possession abroad:—

Marama.
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Brisbane and Vivat.
Emir.
Strathcona.
Houtman.
Salvor.
Alexandria.
Romera.
Nubia.
Malachite and Star.
Bulimba and Crisp and Cargo Boat
No. 12.
Batman and Awaroa.
Coramba and Belmore.

Kai Kai and Koree.

Herga, Saros, and Southborough. Benalla. Kuramia. Tordenskjold. Radhika. Pretorian and Kansan. Scout, Townsville, Myrtle and Barratta. Combine and Hazel Craig. Luna. Invernessshire. Hatiya. Suhail and Mollie. Akbar and Cargo Boat. Sir Hugh Allan and De Levis. Yambacoona. Patagonia. Corinna. Herga, Saros, and Southborough. Poonbar and Champion.

> Admiralty, 1st November, 1915. Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Captain Edward Fynmore Trew is seconded whilst holding the appointment of Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General in the Army. Dated 20th September, 1915.

Royal Marine Forces.

Major and Honorary Colonel Dacre Lennard Barrett, Reserve of Officers, Royal Marines, is granted the temporary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 12th October, 1915.

> Admiralty, 2nd November, 1915. Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Captain Arthur Peel is granted the temporary rank of Major, dated 5th August, 1914, but not to carry pay and allowances in the higher rank before the 22nd September, 1915.

Royal Naval Reserve.

The following Sub-Lieutenants to be Lieutenants:—

William John Enwright. Harold Holehouse.

Dated 2nd August, 1915.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant William Barr to be Sub-Lieutenant.

Dated 13th September, 1915.

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Lieutenant Alfred Edward Smithson has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Dated 28th October, 1915.

Royal Naval Air Service.

Lieutenant Arthur John O'Reilly, Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, has been granted a temporary commission as Flight Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 15th September, 1915.