FOREIGN OFFICE, February 3, 1896.

It is hereby notified that, on the 31st ultimo, His Excellency Costaki Anthopoulo Pasha presented, through the Marquess of Salisbury, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey; and that, on the same day, Senor Eusebio Machain presented his Letter of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Paraguay.

FOREIGN OFFICE, January 1, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Major Sir Claude Maxwell MacDonald, K.C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His Majesty the Emperor of China, and also to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His Majesty the King of Corea.

FOREIGN OFFICE, January 15, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Osborne MacMurrough Kavanagh, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

MASTER OF THE HORSE'S OFFICE, ROYAL MEWS, PIMLICO, January 30, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint General Henry Lynedoch Gardiner, C.B., Equerry in Ordinary to Her Majesty, to be an Extra Equerry.

WHITEHALL, February 3, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, granting the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom unto Henry Hicks Gibbs, Esq., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Aldenham, of Aldenham, in the County of Hertford.

WHITEHALL, February 3, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for presenting the Reverend Robert Birch Harrison, M.A., to the Vicarage of All Saints, Newington, in the County of London and Diocese of Rochester, void by the death of the Reverend Oliver Mitchell, M.A., the last Incumbent.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACTS, 1878 to 1895.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, pursuant to section 3 (3) of "The Rules Publication Act, 1893," that on

the 27th January 1896 he made an Order under section 27 of "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1891," and section 42 of "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1895," with regard to lists of outworkers.

Copies of the Order can be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding Street, Fleet Street, E.C.

Whitehall, January 31, 1896.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

February 4, 1896.

The following Candidates have been certified by the Civil Service Commissioners as qualified for the appointments set against their respective names :—

January 30, 1896.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Boy Clerks — Lewis William Butler, Charles Frederick Hannaford, Frederick Harold Minett, Reginald Richard Payne, Frank Percy Smith, Charles Harold West.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

Trinity House: Boy Clerk -Louis George Vedy.

Post Office : Sorter, London-William Alexander Barrett.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

- Prisons Department, Scotland : Female Warder-Christian M'Gregor Buchan.
- Post Office : Sorter-Tracers, London—Harold Leo Chamberlin, James Richard Fells.
 - Postmen, London-Horace Martin Gadge, John Martin.

Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners— Anna Jane Edwards (Woodstock), John Kelly (Parsonstown), Mary Sofia Moffat (Newcastleon-Tyne), William Monaghan (Longford), Elizabeth Eleanor Rea (Chester-le-Street), Isabella Rose Smith (Grantown), Richard Edward Tunstall (St. Helens), Thomas Herbert Turner (Dudley, Worcestershire).

Postmen—William Francis Burge (Richmond, Surrey), Alexander Kirk Connely (Birkenhead), Alfred William George (Richmond, Surrey), George Victor Holdsworth (Rotherham), William Walter Pearce (Richmond, Surrey), George Radcliffe (Oldham), John Spencer (Cardiff), Harry Wilson (Aylesbury).

January 31, 1896.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

- Boy Clerks—Thomas Oliver Edwards, Charles Norwood Frankish, John Henry Fraser, Archibald James Leach, George Samuel Webb.
- Post Office: Female Sorter, London-Éthel May Charlesworth.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Post Office: Sorter-Tracer, London — Sidney George Harding.

Postman, London—Arthur Ayles.

Skilled Lineman-Robert Wells.