

the district auditor shall be paid by such person to the treasurer of the borough.

#### THE SCHEDULE.

*Names of the first Members of the School Board for the Borough of Todmorden:—*

The Reverend John Lightfoot, D.Sc.  
The Reverend E. J. Russell, M.A.  
The Reverend J. R. Napier, B.A.  
Mr. Barker Crabtree.  
Mr. James Law.  
Mr. William Calvert.  
Mr. James Edward Mitchell.

*Privy Council Office, January 7, 1896.*

#### MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1894.

NOTICE is hereby given that, after the expiration of forty days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to Her Majesty in Council, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, the draft of an Order in Council exempting from re-measurement for tonnage in this country ships belonging to the German Empire, the measurement whereof shall, after the 1st July, 1895, have been ascertained and denoted in the registers and national papers of such ships.

And notice is hereby further given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies of the proposed draft Order in Council can be obtained by any public body, within forty days of the date of this notice, at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,  
January 1, 1896.*

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Alfred Austin, Esq., to be Poet Laureate in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of Alfred, Lord Tennyson, deceased.

*St. James's Palace, December 16, 1895.*

THE Queen has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, dated this day, to nominate, constitute, and appoint General Sir Michael Anthony Shrapnel Biddulph, G.C.B., Gentleman Usher Daily Waiter, to be Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, in the room of Admiral the Honourable Sir James Robert Drummond, G.C.B., deceased.

*Downing Street, January 7, 1896.*

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir Augustus William Lawson Hemming, K.C.M.G., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of British Guiana.

*Education Department, Whitehall,  
January 6, 1896.*

#### ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the election of two persons by the Contributory District of Ipsley (County of Warwick), to sit on the School Board of Feckenham (County of Worcester).

BY virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King George III, intituled "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts made in the tenth and "fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty, as authorizes the Speaker of the "House of Commons to issue his Warrant to "the Clerk of the Crown for making out writs "for the election of Members to serve in Par- "liament, in the manner therein mentioned, and "for substituting other provisions for the like "purposes;" and of an Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to further limit and define "the time for proceeding to Election during the "Recess:"

I do hereby give notice, that the death of Sir Edward James Harland, Bart., late a Member serving in this present Parliament for the Borough of Belfast, North Belfast Division, hath been certified to me in writing, under the hands of two Members serving in this present Parliament; and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Belfast, North Belfast Division, at the end of six days after the insertion of this notice in the London Gazette.

Given under my hand this seventh day of January, 1896.

ARTHUR O'CONNOR.

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*Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),  
London, January 3, 1896.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Funchal, reporting that quarantine against the Canary Islands has been removed.

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*Board of Trade (Fishery Department),  
London, January 6, 1896.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 4th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid reporting that quarantine is imposed on arrivals from Alexandria.

*Admiralty, 4th January, 1896.*

*Royal Marine Artillery.*

Major Thomas Moore is placed on the Retired List, at his own request, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council 22nd February, 1870, 5th February, 1872, and 29th November, 1881. Dated 3rd January, 1896.

*Admiralty, 6th January, 1896.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Lieutenant William Cecil Howard Snell has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander. Dated 5th January, 1896.

The following Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been confirmed as Sub-Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet, viz.:—  
William Clervaux Chaytor. Dated 14th May, 1894.

Ernest George William Davidson. Dated 14th September, 1894.