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Privy Council Office, December 14, 1897.

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 approving certain Pilotage Bye-laws, Rules, and Regulations made by the Pilotage Authority for the Port of Waterford.

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.

Foreign Office, December 8, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Chester W. Martin as Consul of the United States of America at Amherstburg, Ontario; of Mr. Frederick Eggena as Consul of Germany at Rangoon; of Baron Henry von Siebold as Consul of Austria-Hungary at Singapore; of Don José de Cubas as Consul of Spain at Newport; of Don Celestino Marconell as Consul of Spain at Kingston, Jamaica; of Mr. William J. Williams as Consul of Denmark at St. Helena; of Mr. E. Langguta as Consul of Austria-Hungary at Auckland; of Mr. Theodore J. Walsh as Consul of Paraguay at Birmingham; and of Don Angelo Sanchez Vera as Vice-Consul of Spain at Glasgow.

Downing Street, December 14, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of the appointment of William Nicoll, Esq., Advocate (Queen's Advocate, Lagos), to be a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Gold Coast Colony; and of Francis Oswald Edlin, Esq., Barrister-at-Law (a District Commissioner of the Gold Coast Colony), to be Queen's Advocate for the Colony of Lagos.

St. James's Palace, December 13, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Archibald Boyd Carpenter, M.A., Rector of St. George's, Bloomsbury, and Honorary Chaplain to Her Majesty, to be one of the Chaplains in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the

room of the Reverend Canon J. N. Dalton, M.A., C.M.G., appointed a Deputy Clerk of the Closet to Her Majesty.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Frederick Cecil Alderson, M.A., Canon of Peterborough and Rector of Lutterworth, to be one of Her Majesty's Honorary Chaplains, in the room of the Reverend Archibald Boyd Carpenter, M.A., promoted.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Robert Henry Hadden, B.A., Vicar of St. Botolph, Aldgate, to be one of Her Majesty's Honorary Chaplains, in the room of the Reverend Canon J. Taylor Smith, now Bishop of Sierra Leone.

Admiralty, 11th December, 1897.

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

Admiral Sir Henry Frederick Nicholson, K.C.B., has this day been placed on the Retired List, at his own request.

Consequent on the above the following promotions have been made from the same date:—
 Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, K.C.B., to be Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.
 Rear-Admiral Claude Edward Buckle to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.
 Captain Albert Baldwin Jenkings to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

The following Sub-Lieutenants have been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

Frederick Noel Fergus.
 Ivor Francis Chichester.
 Bernard St. George Collard.

Dated 15th November, 1897.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant Henry John Boby has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Dated 9th December, 1897.

Engineer Charles Gillos Wilson has been promoted to the rank of Senior Engineer. Dated 9th December, 1897.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
 14th December, 1897.*

3rd Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant William C. Peel resigns his Commission. Dated 15th December, 1897.