Assistant-Engineer Tom Chumley to be Engineer. Dated 2nd December, 1898.

. Admiralty, 15th December, 1898.

'I'HE undermentioned Engineers have been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

Thomas Robert Reynolds. Dated 18th November, 1898.

James Thomas Willoughby. Dated 25th November, 1898.

India Office, December 14, 1898.

THE Secretary of State for India in Council has appointed Mr. Charles Stuart Hall to superintend the transfer of Lascars, or other persons, at the Victoria and Albert Docks, and to grant the Certificate required under Section 125 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vic., cap. 60).

The fee to be paid for every Lascar, or other person, in respect of whom such Certificate is applied for, is limited to three shillings, and in no case is the total amount of fees in respect of one crew to exceed five pounds.

ORDER of the Local Government Board: Altering Name of Union:

Bedminster (Long Ashton) Union.

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Bedminster Union;—

To the Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes comprised in the said Union;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by section 13 of "The Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876," it is enacted as follows:—

"The Local Government Board may, when "they see fit, by their Order change the "name of any Union, and direct how such "change of name shall be published; no such change of name shall affect any rights or obligations of, or securities given by or to, the said Union, or render defective any legal proceedings instituted by or against the said Union; and any legal proceedings may be continued or commenced by or against the said Union by their new name which might have been continued or commenced by or against the Union by their former name."

And whereas by an Order dated the 28th day of March, 1836, the Poor Law Commissioners declared that the several Parishes and Places specified in the margin thereof should be united for the administration of the laws for the relief of the Poor by the name of the Bedminster Union;

And whereas in pursuance of Orders issued by Us, the Local Government Board, and of Orders made under the provisions of the Local Government Acts, 1888 and 1894, and duly confirmed by Us, and by the operation of the Local Government Act, 1894, and of the Bristol Corporation Act, 1897, certain changes have been made in the constitution of the said Union;

And whereas it is expedient that the name of the said Union should be changed as hereinafter mentioned

Now therefore, in pursuance of the powers given to Us by the Statutes in that behalf, We hereby order as follows:—

ARTICLE I.—From and after the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, the name of the said Union shall be changed to the Long Ashton Union, and the

Guardians of the Poor thereof shall be described as the Guardians of the Poor of the Long Ashton Union.

ARTICLE II.—The said Guardians shall cause this Order to be published for two successive weeks within one month from the date hereof in some newspaper circulating within the Union.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this fourteenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

L. S.

Henry Chaplin, President.

S. B. Provis, Assistant Secretary.

Civil Service Commission, December 16, 1898.

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

December 12, 1898.
After Open Competition.

Royal Mint: Clerk in the Operative Department, Alfred Dudman Owen.

Post Office: Male Sorter, London, Patrick William Costello.

Female Sorters, London, Maud Alice Ellman, Elizabeth Lilian Wild.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

Post Office: Skilled Telegraphist, London, Samuel Gasson.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Admiralty: Portsmouth Dockyard, Fitter, William

James Crisp.

Shipwrights, Henry Francis Batchelor, James
Louis Fennemore, William May, Charles
Shaddick.

Post Office: Sorter-Tracer, London, Horace George Hibbert.

Postmen, London, Joseph Talboys Allen, James William Burgess, Francis John Carpenter, Charles William Child, William Ernest Chinery, James George Cooper, Thomas Arthur Doddemeade, Walter Thomas Lloyd, William Lewis Stone.

Temporary Assistant Postmen, London, Albert Robert Shepherd, Frederick Charles Twyford.

Learners, Alfred Walter Banton (Whitchurch, Salop). Eliza Jane Lang (Dartmouth), Annie Norrie Mills (Portobello), Denis Mulcahy (Ballybrophy), Annie Plackett (York).

Postmen, George William Dare (Dorchester), William Erskine (Mauchline), Ben Jones (Market Drayton), George Edward King (Gravesend), Alfred Stone (Bournemouth).

FOR REGISTRATION AS TEMPORARY BOY COPYISTS (NEW CLASS).

James Amos, Albert James Brinkworth, Stephen William Sex Brooker, John Richard Brooks, Arthur North Chancellor, George Henry Chappell, James Andrew Haire, Ernest George Humphry, Hugh Conway MacNulty, William Saville Nolan, Solomon Reiner, Ralph Walter Sutton.

December 13, 1898.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Post Office: Male Sorters, London, John Harvey McClay, Walter Tom Newton.

Female Sorters, London, Gertrude Sarah Brown, Eleanor Maud Gooch.