Education Department, Whitehall, February 27, 1899.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day making the parish of Laleston contributory to the United School Board District of Pyle, Kentigg, and Upper Tythegston, and for the election of one person by that parish, to sit on the abovenamed School Board. County of Glamorgan.

Crown Office, March 2, 1899.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Hythe.

Sir Edward Albert Sassoon, Bart., in the place of General Sir James Bevan Edwards, K.C.M.G., C.B., who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.

(F. & H. 3815.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department, London, March 3, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Lourenço Marques, intimating that the entrance into any of the ports of the Province is forbidden to sailing vessels or dhows bringing cargo or proceeding from any country either infected with, or, even suspected of, plague, and that vessels without sickness on board, or those whose voyages had lasted for more than the maximum time of incubation of plague, are liable to thorough fumigation before admission. The following articles are liable to be denied admission, viz.:—Rags and paper, old newspapers, all second-hand clothing, sacking, wrapping cloth, carpets and mats that have been used, hides, hoofs, horns, bones, claws, and all refuse of animals, skins, silk in bulk and wool, and hair to be used by hair-dressers or for other commercial purposes.

(F. & H. 3816.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 3, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Washington, enclosing the following Quarantine Notice issued by the United States Government, viz.:

Circular No. 8.

Division of Customs and Insular Affairs.

War Department, Washington,

February 1, 1899.

The following order of the President, relative to quarantine regulations for ports in Cuba and Porto Rico, is hereby published for the information and guidance of all concerned:—

Executive Mansion, Washington,

January 17, 1899.

To prevent the introduction of epidemic disease, it is ordered that the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February 15, 1893, entitled "An Act granting additional quarantine powers and imposing additional duties upon the Marine Hospital Service," and all rules and regulations heretofore prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury under that Act, are to be given full

force and effect in the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico, and the following additional rules and regu-

lations are hereby promulgated :-

The examination in ports of the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico of incoming and outgoing vessels and the necessary surveillance over their sanitary condition as well as of cargo, passengers, crew, and of all personal effects, is vested in and will be conducted by the Marine Hospital Service, and medical officers will be detailed by the Secretary of the Treasury as quarantine officers at the ports of Havana, Matanzas, Ciensuegos and Santiago immediately, and at other ports in the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico as soon as practicable necessary. Quarantine officers shall have authority over vessels, their wharfage and anchorage in infected seaports, in so far as is necessary to prevent the infection of vessels or their personnel, and all vessels, including vessels of the Army Transport Service and merchant vessels, leaving ports coastwise the islands of Cuba or Porto Rico for the United States or for other ports in the islands of Cuba or Porto Rico, vessels of the United States Navy excepted. Quarantine officers will enforce necessary measures on incoming vessels through col-lectors of customs at ports of entry, who will not permit entry without quarantine certificates, and bill of health shall not be given to an outgoing vessel unless all quarantine regulations have been complied with. All officers of the Army Transport Service and medical officers of the Army and Marine Hospital Service on duty on Army transports will use every precaution to prevent danger of exposure to infection of crews while in ports in the islands of Cuba or Porto Rico.

Since the quarantine service herein provided is for the protection of the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico as well as the protection of the United States against both, the expenses arising therefrom will be charged at present both against the revenues of these islands and the epidemic fund; said expenses will be divided equally against both, payments, however, to be made out of the epidemic fund and reimbursement made thereto from the revenues of the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

This order to be duly proclaimed and enforced at ports in Cuba and Porto Rico.

G. D. Meiklejohn, Assistant Secretary of War.

(F. & H. 3868.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 3, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Depatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Brussels, intimating that in future bills of health will not be demanded from vessels arriving in Belgian ports directly from any European ports, except those on Black Sea, on the Turkish coasts in Europe, on the Archipelago, and on the Sea of Marmora.

(F. & H. 3910.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour
Department), London, March 4, 1899.
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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 Athens, intimating that 10 days' quarantine is imposed on ships sailing from Jeddah on and after 25th ultimo.