

*Whitehall, February 17, 1900.*

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 Knight of the said United Kingdom unto George Dalhousie Ramsay, of Manson-place, in the county of London, Esq., Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

*Whitehall, February 17, 1900.*

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Archibald Alexander Gordon, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Cross of a Knight of the Legion of Honour, conferred upon him by the President of the French Republic in recognition of the services which he has rendered as Honorary Secretary to the Scottish Section of the Franco-Scottish Society in developing literary and artistic relations between France and Great Britain.

*Crown Office, February 17, 1900.*

MEMBERS returned to serve in the present  
PARLIAMENT.

*Borough of Plymouth.*

The Honourable Ivor Churchill Guest, in the place of Sir Edward George Clarke, Knt., Q.C., who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.

*February 19, 1900.*

*County of Nottingham.—Newark Division.*

Sir Charles Glyne Earle Welby, Bart., C.B., in the place of Charles William Sydney Pierrepont (commonly called Viscount Newark, now Earl Manvers), called up to the House of Peers.

(F. & H. 2978.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1900.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, information to the effect that an Italian Ordinance has been issued, declaring the ports of New Caledonia, of the Hawaiian Islands, and of Ohaman (sic) infected with plague, and that the provisions of the Ordinances of 8th May, 1897, No. 3, 15th July, 1897, No. 6, and 23rd January, 1900, No. 1, will be applicable to ships arriving from those ports. The sanitary measures to be performed exclusively in the ports of Genoa, Leghorn, Naples, Palermo, Messina, Brindisi, and Venice, which will thus be the only points where such ships can touch Italy for the first time.

(F. & H. 2979.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1900.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch dated 14th ultimo, from Her Majesty's Representative at Montevideo, intimating that quarantine of five days previously imposed on arrivals from Rio has been increased to ten days, that vessels which during the voyage have had suspicious cases of sickness on board will be thoroughly disinfected, and then subjected to 15 days' quarantine, and that the importation of the following articles is prohibited when they are not susceptible of disinfection, viz.:—Fresh hides fresh animal remains, wool, bristles, feathers, rags, personal effects, and used textile fabrics.

(F. & H. 2961.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1900.*

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 Montevideo, intimating that free pratique has been granted to arrivals from Portuguese ports, except Oporto.

(F. & H. 3029.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1900.*

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 Rio, intimating that Vigo has been declared clean. Leiscoes suspected; other Portuguese ports, continental and insular, declared clean, except Lorenza Marquez.

(F. & H. 3091.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1900.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 18th February, from Her Majesty's Representative at Montevideo, intimating that quarantine on arrivals from Rio and Santos has been reduced to 24 hours:

*Admiralty, 16th February, 1900.*

Assistant-Paymaster Frederick Belling has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 5th February, 1900.

*Admiralty, 17th February, 1900.*

*Royal Marine Light Infantry.*

Captain Evelyn Henry Orlebar is seconded for service as Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 1st February, 1900.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*

*20th February, 1900.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to approve of the following promotions in the Army, in recognition of the services of the undermentioned Officers in connection with the relief and defence of Kimberley. Dated 21st February, 1900:—

To be Major-General (Supernumerary) for Distinguished Service in the Field:—  
Colonel (local Lieutenant-General) J. D. P. French, commanding Cavalry Division, South Africa.

BREVET.

To be Colonel:—

Lieutenant-Colonel R. G. Kekewich, the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*

*20th February, 1900*

7th Dragoon Guards, Second Lieutenant Harold Twyford, from 4th Battalion the Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment), to be Second Lieutenant, on augmentation. Dated 21st February, 1900.

1st Dragoons, Second Lieutenant Arthur Hamilton Cooper, from 3rd Battalion the Prince Albert's (Somersetshire Light Infantry), to be Second Lieutenant, on augmentation. Dated 21st February, 1900.