

and wounded in the Kimberley Hospital, of which I cannot speak too highly.

Dr. T. L. Shiels, M.B., Assistant Resident Surgeon, Kimberley Hospital, did a considerable amount of hard work in attending to the wounded.

I cannot speak too highly of the energy and zeal displayed by the following visiting surgeons, Kimberley Hospital:—

Dr. E. O. Ashe, M.D., Dr. A. H. Watkins, M.D., Dr. J. E. Mackenzie, Dr. J. Mathias, M.D., Dr. W. J. Westerfield, M.D., and Dr. W. W. Stoney, M.D.

Mr. W. D. Fynn has rendered valuable assistance in procuring intelligence of the enemy's movements, &c.

Mr. W. J. Gardner, Acting Postmaster, Kimberley, has done much good work in connection with the duties of the postal department.

Mr. J. E. Symons has done excellent work in connection with signalling duties of the fortress.

The staff of the Cape Government telegraphs were in charge of many important telegraph circuits in connection with the defence of Kimberley, and rendered very valuable assistance.

Lastly, I wish to record the fact that the officials of the De Beers Consolidated Mines, Limited, placed most unreservedly at my disposal the immense resources and establishments at their command. A great many of the structural works in connection with observatories, electric searchlights, &c., were designed and erected by officials of the company. The company's telephone system was placed at my disposal, and even a gun and artillery ammunition were manufactured at a time when relief did not appear to be near at hand.

40. The following non-commissioned officers and men are deserving of mention for the good work they performed:—

Regular Forces.

Serjeant-Major E. C. Mudge, 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

Serjeant H. Herbert, 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

Serjeant H. Hellard, 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

Corporal J. Hopwood, 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

Corporal F. Benwell, Army Service Corps, has done excellent work, and is worthy of special promotion.

Colonial Forces (Cape Police.)

Corporal F. R. Castens.

Private J. Maloney.

Private A. Carr.

Private G. R. Mathieson.

Private S. Brown.

Volunteers.

Serjeant A. B. Nicholetts, Diamond Fields Horse, on several occasions undertook duties which involved great personal risk. He carried despatches to our troops engaged on 28th November.

Serjeant S. H. MacCullum, Kimberley Regiment.

Irregular Forces.

Sergeant-Major W. H. Oatley, Kimberley Light Horse.

Corporal H. Harris, Kimberley Light Horse.

Trooper A. H. Armstrong, Kimberley Light Horse.

Serjeant-Major J. P. Russell, late Royal Engineers, as Warrant Officer, Kimberley Town Guard, did much valuable work in connection with the superintendence of native labour employed on the construction of the defence works.

Serjeant J. Russel, Cyclist Corps, Kimberley Town Guard.

I have, &c.,

R. G. KEKEWICH, Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding Griqualand West and Bechuanaland.

Whitehall, May 7, 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 to the Venerable Walter John Lawrance, M.A., Archdeacon of St. Albans, the newly-created Deanery of St. Albans.

Whitehall, May 7, 1900.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 5th instant, to appoint William Henry Clay, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Recorder of the Borough of Hanley, in the room of Abel John Ram, Esq., Q.C., resigned.

St. James's Palace, May 8, 1900.

THE Queen has been pleased, on the nomination of Lord Belper, to appoint Major Stewart MacDougall, late Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, to be one of Her Majesty's Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms, vice Captain Walrond Clarke, who retires upon half-pay.

Marlborough House, Pall Mall, May 7, 1900.

THE Prince of Wales has been pleased to appoint the Reverend James William Adams, V.C., B.A. (Vicar of Stow Bardolph, and Rector of Wimbotsham, Norfolk), and the Reverend Francis Stanley folkes, B.A. (Rector of Wolferton, Norfolk), to be Honorary Chaplains to His Royal Highness.

Board of Education, Whitehall,

May 7, 1900.

**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS,
1870-1899.**

THE Board of Education have issued an order this day for the formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Bacton Norfolk

Crown Office, May 4, 1900.

**MEMBERS returned to serve in the present
PARLIAMENT.**

Universities of Edinburgh and Saint Andrews.

Sir John Batty Tuke, M.D., F.R.C.P.E., in the place of Sir William Overend Priestley, Knt., deceased.

Borough of Portsmouth.

Thomas Arthur Bramsdon, Esq., in the place of Walter Owen Clough, Esq., who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.

(F. & H. 7239.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour
Department), London, May 7, 1900.*

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 St. Petersburg, intimating that Osaka (Japan) and Hong Kong are declared infected with plague.