Scottish Office, Whitehall, May 10, 1900.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 5th instant, to appoint Hay Shennan, Esq., Advocate, presently Sheriff-Substitute at Lerwick, in the Sheriffdom of Caithness, Orkney and Zetland, to be Sheriff-Substitute at Dingwall, in the Sheriffdom of Ross, Cromarty, and Sutherland, in room of Crawford Hill, Esq., Advocate, resigned.

Board of Education, Whitehall, May 9, 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:-

St. Ive ... Cornwall

Admiralty, 8th May, 1900.

The Reverend George Stanley Kewney, B.A., has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 25th April, 1900.

> (F. & H. 6608.) SEA FISHERIES.

Territorial Waters of Denmark.

NOTICE is hereby given to British Fishermen that a new Law has come into force in Denmark by which the penalty for illegal trawling in the territorial waters of that country has been increased.

Translation of the Law is appended.

It should be borne in mind that as regards the Danish Coast bordering on the North Sea, south of Hanstholm Lighthouse, Articles II. and III. of the North Sea Fisheries Convention, 1882, to which Denmark is a party, apply.

These Articles are as follows :-

" ART. II. The fishermen of each country shall enjoy the exclusive right of fishery within the distance of three miles from low-water mark along the whole extent of the coasts of their respective countries, as well as of the dependent islands and banks.

"As regards bays, the distance of three miles shall be measured from a straight line drawn across the bay, in the part nearest the entrance, at the first point where the width does not exceed ten miles.

"The present Article shall not in any way prejudice the freedom of navigation and anchorage in territorial waters accorded to fishing boats, provided they conform to the special police regulations enacted by the Powers to whom the shore belongs.

"ART. III. The miles mentioned in the preceding Article are geographical miles, whereof 60 make a degree of latitude."

T. H. W. Pelham, Assistant-Secretary. Fisheries and Harbour Department,

Board of Trade, May, 1900.

LAW concerning an Increase of the Punishment fixed by the Law No. 56 of April 5th, 1888, section 58, as far as Illegal Trawl Fishery is concerned.

Illegal fishery by means of trawl, in Danish Territorial Waters (see Law No. 56 of April 5th, 1888, section 1, No. 2), is to be punished with fines of from 500 to 4,000 Crowns, payable to the Treasury.

In fixing the punishment regard is to be had to

whether the illegal fishery has been carried out by means of steam, which is to constitute an aggravating circumstance. The illegal fishing instruments, including the hawser which has been used for the illegal fishery, as well as the captured fish on board, are to be forfeited to the Treasury. The vessel may be laid under embargo, in accordance with an eventual decree to that effect, and sold to cover fines and costs.

This Law is to take effect immediately. Confirmed April 7th, 1900.

(F. & H. 7398.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 9, 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 Athens, intimating that ten days' quarantine is imposed on arrivals from Smyrna on and after 7th May in consequence of plague.

(F. & H. 7400.) Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 9, 1900.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram from the Governor of Malta, intimating that Quarantine Notice No. 95 of 2nd May has been amended by the following addition to section 5:-

"Every passenger arriving at Malta from any Mediterranean port eastward of Gibraltar shall, before being allowed to land, declare on oath before an inspector of marine, police, or other superior officer that he has not been in Egypt within twelve days, otherwise he shall undergo

twelve days' quarantine."

Also that Notice No. 78 of 20th April (see Gazette of 27th April F. & H. 6691) has been amended by the omission of the word "Greece"

from section 3.

(F. & H. 7401.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 9, 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 St. Petersburg, intimating that ten days' quarantine is imposed at Odessa on arrivals from Port Said, reckoning journey, and that medical inspection is imposed on arrivals from Alexandria.

(F. & H. 7421.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 9, 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 Port Said and Suakim are declared infected with plague.

(F. & H. 7424.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 9, 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 Alexandria, intimating that in consequence of plague all persons leaving Alexandria are examined, and effects of 3rd class passengers and crews disinfected.