Whitehall, March 5, 1903.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain William Edward Bailey, East Yorkshire Regiment, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of his valuable services in the Egyptian Army.

Whitehall, March 5, 1903.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto William Hawkins Wilson, Esq., M.A., M.B., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of his valuable services as Professor of Physiology at the Egyptian Government School of Medicine.

Foreign Office, Öctober 16, 1902.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Herbert Allan Ottewill, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Tientsin.

> Foreign Office, February 26, 1903.

The KING has been pleased to approve of— Mr. William Paterson Waddell as Consul of Sweden and Norway at Singapore for the

Straits Settlements; and Don Federico D. Barretto as Vice-Consul of Maxima et Hong Kong

Mexico at Hong Kong.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

In virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, the Right Honourable Aretas Akers-Douglas, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed Sergeant Patrick Butler, 55720, of the Royal Irish Constabulary, to be an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act.

Whitehall, 4th March, 1903.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1901.

In pursuance of section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for the Home Department proposes, at the expiration of 40 days from the publication of this notice, to make an Order under section 54, subsection 4, of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, extending the special exception under that section which allows the employment of male young persons above 16 at night to that part of any factory in which reverberatory or regenerative furnaces are used and necessarily kept in operation day and night. The draft order, further, revokes the extension of the special exception to oil and seed crushing mills and iron ore washing granted by the Order of the 16th November, 1895, and consolidates that Order and the Order of the 22nd August, 1902.

Copies of the draft of the proposed Order may be obtained from the Factory Department, Home Office, Whitehall, S.W.

Whitehall, 6th March, 1903.

Treasury Chambers,

March 5, 1903.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed Edward Mervyn Archdale, Esq., to be Steward and Bailiff of the Chiltern Hundreds.

Ecclesiastical Commission, 10, Whitehall Place, London, March 6, 1903.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has, under the authority of the Act 3 and 4 Vict., chapter 113, appointed the Right Honourable Lord Burghclere to be an Ecclesiastical Commissioner for England, in the place of His Grace the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, K.G., resigned.

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 4, 1903. H. 3923.

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 4, 1903. H. 3924.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated March 3, from His Majesty's Representative at Damascus:— "Cholera having practically ceased quarantine against Damascus was removed on the 28th ultimo."

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 4, 1903. H. 3925.

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 4, 1903. H. 3987.

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, March 5, 1903. H. 4083.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated March 4, from His Majesty's Representative at Galatz :----"At Sulina ten days' quarantine imposed on arrivals from Alexandria, all Egyptian ports, Gaza, and Jedda. Quarantine against the Syrian Coast reduced to five days. Venice Sanitary Convention maintained. Constantza and Mangalia closed."