the Norwegian Government have removed the town of Zanzibar and the Government District of Astrachan from the list of places declared to be infected with oriental plague.

## LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

The Board of Trade have recently confirmed the following Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners:—Grimsby District Light Railways Order, 1906, authorizing the construction of Light Railways in the Borcugh of Great Grimsby and in the Rural District of Grimsby, in the County of Lincoln (Parts of Lindsey), from Great Grimsby to Immingham.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W., 18th January, 1906.

Admiralty, 16th January, 1906. Royal Naval Reserve.

Lieutenant Henry Hutchinson to be Commander. Dated 15th January, 1906.

Admiralty, 17th January, 1906.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Commander Ian Reidhaven Grant has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rauk of Captain. Dated 17th January, 1906.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 8th January, 1906—

Lieutenant Edward Carey Tyndale-Biscoe has been advanced to the rank of Commander in the Retired List. Dated 24th April, 1902.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—

Fleet-Surgeon Everard Home Saunders has been placed on the Retired List, at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Retired Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets. Dated 16th January, 1906.

Paymaster William Francis Wells has this day been advanced to the rank of Staff Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet.

## Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant Charles Nares Pillow to be Lieutenant. Dated 16th January, 1906.

Sub-Lieutenant John Claybourn Williams to be Lieutenant. Dated 16th January, 1906.

Paymaster Henry Roche to be Staff Paymaster. Dated 16th January, 1906.

The undermentioned Gentlemen have been appointed Assistant Paymasters, viz.:—
Thomas Samuel.

Thomas Edward Thomas.

Dated 16th January, 1906.

Admiralty, 18th January, 1906.

Sub-Lieutenant Robert Bertram Ramsay has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 30th November, 1905.

The undermentioned Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet, viz.:—

Geoffrey Nepean Biggs. Dated 15th July, 1904. Lancelot Arthur Wetherell Spooner.

Frank Noel Stagg.

Henry Noel Marryat Hardy.

Dated 30th July, 1904.

Edmond Poole Gabbett. Dated 15th August, 1904.

Harold Robert Priston.

Archie Harry Bosanquet Bisset.

Dated 30th August, 1904.

Robert Raymond Hallowell-Carew. Dated 15th November, 1904.

Fitzroy Hamilton Dalrymple Byron. Dated 15th December, 1904.

Frederick Philip Champion de Crespigny.

Henry Phillips Hughes.

Dated 30th December, 1904.

George Pilkington. Dated 15th January, 1905.

## War Office, Pall Mall,

17th January, 1906.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the 27th Middlesex (Harrow School) Volunteer Rifle Corps being disbanded on the 31st January, 1906.

## TENDERS FOR LOANS ON TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at one o'clock, for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Acts 40 Vic., cap. 2, and 52 Vic., cap. 6, to the amount of £1,000,000, in part replacement of Bills falling due on the 29th instant.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £1,000, £5,000, or £10,000. They will be dated the 29th January, 1906, and will be payable at six months after date, viz.:—on the 29th July, 1906.

3. The Tenders must specify the net amount per cent. which will be given for the amounts applied for, and the Tenders of private individuals must be made through a London Banker.

4. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

5. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same on Wednesday, the 24th instant, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England not later than three o'clock, on Monday, the 29th instant.

6. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers, 16 January, 1906,