Whitehall, January 30, 1906.

The KING has been pleased to grant unto Hubert Smith, of the Spring Valley, in the parish of Worfield, in the county of Salop, and of Brooklynne, Willes-road, in the Royal borough of Learnington Spa, Gentleman, formerly Town Clerk of the borough of Bridgnorth, His Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may take and use the surname of Stanier in addition to and after that of Smith, and bear the arms of Stanier quarterly with those of Smith; the said arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect.

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in His Majesty's said College of Arms.

Whitehall, February 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 12th instant, to nominate the Reverend Henry Luke Paget, M.A., Vicar of Saint Pancras, in the Diocese of London, to be Bishop Suffragan of Ipswich, in the Diocese of Norwich, in the room of the Right Reverend George Carnac Fisher, D.D., resigned.

Whitehall, February 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 9th instant, to appoint the Reverend Cyril Harry Norton, M.A., to the Vicarage of Saint Jude, Bristol, in the County of Gloucester and Diocese of Bristol, void by the resignation of the Reverend Thomas Brace Waitt, M.A., the last Incumbent.

Whitehall, February 13, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 12th instant, to appoint Francis Chandler, Esq., to be a Member of the Royal Commission on the Poor Laws.

Factory Department, Home Office, February 12, 1906.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. G. J. Saunders, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Act, at Burghead, in the county of Elgin, is vacant.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 12, 1906.

Н. 2091.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated February 9, from His Majesty's Representative at Madrid, intimating that Havana has been declared to be no longer infected with Yellow Fever.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 12, 1906.

H. 2056.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated February 1, from His Majesty's Representative at Christiana, intimating that the Norwegian Government have issued a Circular, dated the 29th January, declaring the following towns to be infected with oriental plague, viz.:—Kobe, Osaka, Hiogo, and Schimonoseki in Japan.

The following is a list of places declared to be infected with oriental plague by previous Circulars, and which have not yet been removed from the list :---

Arabia, Persia, India, China, Yokohama in Japan, Manila, Formosa, Siam and Tonkin, Egypt, Madagascar, the Islands of Reunion and Mauritius, the towns of Durban, Port Elizabeth and East London in South Africa, Callao, Lima and Payta in Peru, Ports in Brazil and Chili, and Brisbane and Maryborough in Queensland.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

The Board of Trade have recently confirmed the following Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners :—Tarporley Light Railway Order, 1906, authorizing the construction of a Light Railway in the county of Chester, from Tarporley to a junction with the Railway of the Cheshire Lines Committee near Mouldsworth.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W., 12th February, 1906.

Admiralty, 9th February, 1906.

The undermentioned Surgeons have been promoted to the rank of Staff Surgeon in His Majesty's Fleet :---

- Bernard Ley. Dated 14th November, 1902. Elystan Glodrydd Evelyn O'Leary. Dated 13th May, 1904.
- Louis Edward Dartnell. Dated 10th November, 1904.
- Edward Dominic Joseph O'Malley.
- Richard Foster Clark.
 - Dated 25th May, 1905.
- Reginald Waterfield. Dated 29th November, 1905.