Lord Chancellor's Office.

April 5, 1906.

RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT.
The following draft Rules are published pursuant to the Rules Publication Act, 1893:-

Order XIII. Rule 12.
1. Order XIII. Rule 12 is hereby annulled, and the following Rules shall stand in lieu thereof:-

Rule 12. In all actions not by the rules of this Order otherwise specially provided for, in case the party served with the writ does not appear within the time limited for appearance, upon the filing by the Plaintiff of a proper affidavit of service, and, if the writ is not specially endorsed under Order III., Rule 6, of a statement of claim, the action may proceed as if such party had appeared, subject, as to actions where an account is claimed, to the provisions of Order XV.

Rule 12A. In Admiralty actions in rem if the Defendant does not appear within the time limited for appearance upon the filing by the Plaintiff of a proper affidavit of service and of a Statement of Claim and of a certificate of nonappearance the action may on the expiration of 21 days from the service of the writ be set down for judgment by default.

Order XXVII. Rule 11A.

2. In Admiralty actions in rem if the Defendant makes default in delivering a defence the Plaintiff may on the expiration of 10 days from the delivery of the Statement of Claim, and on filing an affidavit of non-delivery of a defence, set down the action for judgment by default, and the provisions of Order XIII, Rule 13, shall be applicable to such action.

Order XXVII. Rule 12.

3. Order XXVII. Rule 12 shall be read as if for the words "in the last preceding rule" the words "in Rule 11" were substituted.

Order XXIX. Rule 16.

4. Order XXIX. Rule 16 is hereby annulled, and the following rule shall be read in lieu thereof:

Rule 16. After the expiration of twelve days from the service of the writ or copy thereof if the party on whose behalf the caveat has been entered shall not have given bail in such sum, or paid the same into the registry, the Plaintiff's Solicitor may proceed with the action by default, and on filing his proofs in the registry may have the action placed on the list for hearing.

> Order XXXVI. Rule 55D.

5. In any proceedings before an Official Referee in which the party by whom the fees prescribed by the Orders as to Court fees are payable is represented by a Solicitor, if the fees or any part of the fees payable under the said Orders are not paid as therein prescribed, the Court or a Judge may on the application of the Official Solicitor by summons, and upon a report signed by the Official Referee stating the amount of the unpaid fees, order the said Solicitor of the said party forthwith personally to pay the said amount in the manner prescribed by the said Orders, and to pay the costs of the Official Solicitor of the application. Any costs of the Official Solicitor which are not recovered by him from the said Solicitor shall be paid out of such moneys as may be provided by Parliament.

Order LXVIII. Rule 2A.

6. Order II. Rule 8 shall apply to the Revenue side of the King's Bench Division.

Copies of the above draft Rules may be obtained at the Lord Chancellor's Office House of Lords.

Lord Chancellor's Office,

April 5, 1906.

A Revision of the Crown Office Rules 1886 has been prepared. Copies may be obtained at the Crown Office, King's Bench Division, Royal Courts of Justice, W.C.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

The Board of Trade have recently confirmed the following Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners:—Burton and Ashby Light Railway (Amendment) Order, 1906, authorizing a deviation in the parish of Swadlincote, in the Urban District of Swadlincote District, in the county of Derby, of a part of Railway (No. 1) authorized by the Burton and Ashby Light Railway Order, 1903.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W., 5th April, 1906.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1906.

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The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated April 5, from His Majesty's Representative at Constantinople:—"Medical inspection imposed on arrivals from Port Said."

Admiralty, 3rd April, 1906.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Engineer William Henry Stanley to be Senior Engineer. Dated 2nd April, 1906.

Admiralty, 4th April, 1906.

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

Dated 15th Arthur d'Arcy Punnett. February, 1905.

James Robert Carnegie Cavendish. Dated 28th February, 1905.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Referring to notices which appeared on pages 5398 and 5335 of the Gazettes dated 31st August, 1900, and 18th August, 1901, respec-tively, the Christian names of Lieutenant Pulteney William Malcolm are as now stated and not as therein described.

Admiralty, 5th April, 1906.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant George Henry Stuart Furlong to be Lieutenant. Dated 1st October, 1905.