

each year; and that the Cattle Fairs which have been annually held in the said borough on the 22nd day of March, the 29th day of April, and the 8th day of November, shall in future be held on the third Wednesday in the month of March, the last Wednesday in the month of April, and the Tuesday before the first Wednesday in the month of November in each year.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 3rd day of June, 1908.

H. J. Gladstone.

SHREWSBURY HOUSE BOYS' HOME.

Portland-place, Roscommon-street, Liverpool.
To be an Auxiliary Home in connection with Protestant Reformatories.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that he has certified that the premises in Portland-place, Roscommon-street, Liverpool, known as Shrewsbury House, are fitted to be an Auxiliary Home for the reception of boys sent thereto from time to time from Protestant Reformatory Schools, in pursuance of the Reformatory Schools Acts, 1866 (29 and 30 Vic. cap. 117), and of the Acts amending the same. The certificate takes effect as from the 1st April, 1908.

The number of inmates is limited to 20.

Whitehall, 2nd June, 1908.

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1883.

Whereas by Section 67 (Sub-Section 1) of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883, it is enacted that the Board of Trade may, from time to time, by Order direct that any of its officers mentioned in the Order shall be capable of discharging the duties of any Official Receiver during any temporary vacancy in the office, or during the temporary absence of any Official Receiver through illness or otherwise.

Now, it is ordered, and the Board of Trade do hereby direct, that the following person, being an Officer of the said Board (that is to say):—

JOSEPH GEORGE WILLIS, ESQ.,
Inspector-General in Bankruptcy,

shall be capable of discharging the duties of any Official Receiver during any temporary vacancy in the office, or during the temporary absence of any Official Receiver through illness or otherwise.

Dated the 30th day of May, 1908.

(Signed) *Winston S. Churchill,*
President of the Board of Trade.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, June 4, 1908.*

H. 7207.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Circular, dated May 23, issued by the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, declaring the town of Bagdad infected by plague.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, June 4, 1908.*

H. 7253.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy

of the following Telegram, dated June 2, from His Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg:—"Hong Kong declared plague suspected."

Admiralty, 1st June, 1908.

Royal Naval Reserve.

In accordance with the Regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve—

Lieutenant Benjamin Steel has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander in the Royal Naval Reserve. Dated 18th May, 1908.

Admiralty, 2nd June, 1908.

Engineer-Lieutenant Edward Owen Hefford has been promoted to the rank of Engineer-Commander in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st June, 1908.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 19th March, 1903—

Engineer-Lieutenant James John Shirvell has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 30th May, 1908.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 28th March, 1903—

Lieutenant William McGowan has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 1st June, 1908.

The undermentioned Assistant Paymasters have been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet:—

Arthur Robert Tothill. Dated 21st May, 1908.

Richard St. John Young. Dated 29th May, 1908.

Miss Isabella Baird Forbes Muir has this day been appointed a Sister in Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service.

Royal Naval Reserve.

The undermentioned Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant:—

Horace Owen Norman. Dated 22nd July, 1903.

Cyril Gore. Dated 14th October, 1904.

Midshipman Harold Shepherd Rigg to be an Acting Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 29th May, 1908.

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant Alfred Edward Smithson to be Lieutenant. Dated 28th October, 1907.

Admiralty, 3rd June, 1908.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 28th March, 1903—

Lieutenant William Malley has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 31st May, 1908.

Admiralty, 4th June, 1908.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 19th March, 1903—

Engineer-Commander Albert John Carnt has been placed on the Retired List at his own request. Dated 27th May, 1908.