

“And whereas we consider it desirable that in certain cases this period of full pay sick leave should be extended:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to extend the period of full pay sick leave as from the first day of October last up to a maximum of twelve months in the following cases when recommended by the Director-General of the Medical Department of Your Majesty's Navy:

(a) Junior Officers of the actual or relative rank of Sub-Lieutenant or under:

(b) Other Officers when the circumstances are such as to call for exceptional treatment, viz.: when the illness is due to service in the Tropics or unhealthy climate, or when the rate of half-pay is very small, or when heavy expenses for medical treatment have necessarily been incurred by the Officer.

“The extension of full pay sick leave in either case to be granted only when the Officer's illness is due to causes beyond his own control and there is a reasonable probability of ultimate return to duty.

“The period of full pay sick leave granted to Officers to include time which may be spent in hospital but not full pay leave earned by Foreign Service, the latter being granted on completion of period of full pay sick leave except in the cases of Officers invalided from Your Majesty's Navy who will not be granted any period of Foreign Service leave:

“The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals.”

His Majesty having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

*A. W. FitzRoy.*

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,  
July 9, 1908.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint His Excellency Major-General Maharaja Sir Chandra Shum Shere Jung, Bahadur Rana, G.C.S.I., Prime Minister of Nepal, to be an Honorary Member of the Civil Division of the First Class or Knights Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

*War Office,  
10th July, 1908.*

**CHANGES IN DESIGNATION.**

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the following changes in designation:—

Present Title.	Future Title.
North of Ireland Imperial Yeomanry	North Irish Yeomanry
South of Ireland Imperial Yeomanry	South Irish Yeomanry

**RULES PUBLICATION ACT, 1893.**

The following Draft Rules are published pursuant to the above Act. Copies may be obtained at the Board of Trade:—

**BANKRUPTCY ACTS, 1883 AND 1890.**

General Rule in substitution for Rule 103 of the Bankruptcy Rules, 1886, made pursuant to Section 127 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883.

Rule 103 of the Bankruptcy Rules, 1886, is hereby annulled, and the following Rule which may be cited as Rule 103a, is substituted therefor:—

The office of the Senior Bankruptcy Registrar of the High Court shall be kept open daily throughout the year from ten till four o'clock, except on Sunday, Christmas Day, and the next following working day, Good Friday, Easter Eve, Monday and Tuesday in Easter week, Whit Monday, the first Monday in August, or any day appointed for a public fast or thanksgiving, or on which the Judge of the High Court may direct it to be closed, and except also on Saturdays when the office may be closed at one o'clock—Provided that during vacations of the High Court the office may be closed at two o'clock, except on Saturdays as aforesaid.

This Rule may apply also to the office of the Bankruptcy Taxing Master.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, July 9, 1908.*

H. 8639.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Decree of the Belgian Government, dated June 10th, which appeared in the *Moniteur Belge*, establishing a quarantine station at Antwerp for ships entering the Scheldt which have not been visited by the Sanitary Authorities at Doel.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department)  
London, July 9, 1908.*

H. 8712.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated June 6th, from His Majesty's Representative at Caracas transmitting a translation of a Presidential Decree, dated June 5th, establishing quarantine in all ports of Venezuela against vessels coming direct from or touching at the Island of Trinidad, in consequence of the Government of Trinidad having officially declared the existence of bubonic plague in that Island.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, July 9, 1908.*

H. 8768.

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