

*Scottish Office, Whitehall,  
8th December, 1908.*

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 5th instant, to direct a Commission to be passed under the Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, nominating and appointing Alexander Wilson, Esq., Lord Provost of the City of Aberdeen, to be His Majesty's Lieutenant of the County of the said City.

#### 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 Monday, the 14th 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 £2,500,000 in replacement of Bills falling due on the 20th instant.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £1,000, £5,000, or £10,000. They will be dated the 19th December, 1908, and will be payable at six months after date, viz.:—on the 19th June, 1909.

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 Tuesday, the 15th instant, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England not later than twelve o'clock, on Saturday, the 19th December, 1908.

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

Treasury Chambers, 8th December, 1908.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, December 10, 1908.*

H. 15325.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated November 26th, from His Majesty's Representative at Madrid, stating that an Order has been issued by the Spanish Government correcting Article 72 of the Spanish Sanitary Regulations, and reducing from 20 to 10 days after the death or cure of the last case of plague the period during which a port attacked by plague is to be held to be contaminated.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, December 10, 1908.*

H. 15553.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Notice, dated November 28th, issued by the Swedish Board of Commerce declaring the port of Tientsin with Tangku and Taku, and the port of Chinwangtao in China free from plague, and the Russian governments Nijni-Novgorod, Astrachan, and Archangel free from cholera.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
London, December 10, 1908.*

H. 15587.

The Board of Trade have received a copy of the following Quarantine Notice, dated December 4th, issued by the Governor of Malta:—

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICE. No. 251.

It is hereby notified, for general information, in conformity with Article 3 of the Regulations for the prevention of contagious, infectious and epidemic diseases, published by Government Notice No. 165 of the 28th August, 1908, that the following places are regarded as infected places within the meaning of Article 1 of the said Regulations, and will be, until further notice, dealt with as such, viz.:—The Regency of Tunis, as a small-pox infected place; Arabia (excepting Perim and Aden), Rostow, Taganrog, Novorossisk, Batoum, Theodosia, Kertch, Odessa, and Kherson as cholera-infected places; and India as a plague-infected place. Alexandria is no longer considered to be an infected place. Government Notice 207 of October 12, 1908, is hereby repealed.

By command,

E. M. MEREWETHER,  
Lieutenant-Governor  
and Chief Secretary to Government.

Lieut.-Governor's Office,  
The Palace, Valletta, December 4, 1908.

*Admiralty, 8th December, 1908.*

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 29th June, 1895—Lieutenant James Thompson Blake has been allowed to assume the rank of Commander on the Retired List. Dated 3rd December, 1908.

The following Engineer Sub-Lieutenants have been promoted to the rank of Engineer Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet:—

Samuel Harrison Dunlop. Dated 1st October, 1908.

Frank Howard Pratt. Dated 1st November, 1908.

Edward Iiff.

Francis Lindsay Mogg.

Frank Bertram Jaques.

Dated 15th November, 1908.

Chief Boatswain Thomas McDermott has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet, specially, for distinguished service. Dated 1st December, 1908.

#### *Royal Naval Reserve.*

The undermentioned Acting Assistant Paymasters have been confirmed in the rank of Assistant Paymaster:—

Heriot Riddoch Glen. Dated 26th February, 1906.

William Richard Ashton.

Henry Thompson Crichton.

Dated 15th October, 1906.

*Admiralty, 9th December, 1908.*

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 19th March, 1908—Engineer Captain Alfred John Nye, M.V.O., has been placed on the Retired List at his own request. Dated 7th December, 1908.

Engineer Commander Edwin Cornish has been promoted to the rank of Engineer Captain in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 7th December, 1908.