Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 6, 1909.

H. 15634.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated December 4th, from His Majesty's Representative at Con-stantinople :-- Two further cases of bubonic plague reported at Beirut. Disinfection and ratdestruction in addition (to) medical inspection imposed on arrivals thence; ships not to be delayed (beyond) 24 hours.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 6, 1909.

H. 15651.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated Decem-ber 4th, from His Majesty's Representative at Rome :--Sanitary measures being imposed on Beirut and Alexandretta.-Bubonic plague.

Admiralty, 2nd December, 1909.

The following Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet :---

Henry Ernest Smyth. Frederick Arthur Peere Williams-Freeman. Dated 30th March, 1909.

Norman Whitehead.

Basil Ashby Taylor.

Eric Bannerman Tod.

Ronald William Blacklock.

Harry Dunbar Dunbar-Dunbar-Rivers. Dated 15th April, 1909.

Arthur Duncan Read. Francis William Crowther. Edward Eliot.

Dated 30th April, 1909.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Harold Scott Gillett has been confirmed as Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 5th November, 1907.

Admiralty, 3rd December, 1909.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and His Majesty's Order in Council of 8th December, 1903 :-

Commander Reginald Graham Gregory has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Captain. Dated 23rd November, 1909.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Donald James Strachan Oswald has been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 30th December, 1908.

Fleet Paymaster William Reid Dodridge has been advanced to the rank of Paymaster in Chief in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 23rd November, 1909.

Assistant Paymaster Arthur Charles Roe has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet. Dated 23rd November, 1909.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Probationary Sub-Lieutenant Oscar James Prosser Lee has been confirmed as Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 1st October, 1909.

Admiralty, 4th December, 1909.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 29th June, 1900-

Engineer Commander James Edward Duncan Graham has this day been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Engineer Captain.

In accordance with the provisions of Her late Majesty's Order in Council of 29th June, 1895-

Lieutenant Charles William Nicoll McCulloch has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander. Dated 1st December, 1909.

Admiralty, 6th December, 1909.

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

Robert Holmes De'ath. Dated 30th June, 1909.

Hilary Poland Mead. Dated 30th July, 1909.

Henry Dawson Crawford Stanistreet. Dated 15th November, 1909. Noel Marcus Francis Corbett.

Dated 30th November, 1909.

Staff Paymaster Albert Edward Butterfill Hosken has this day been advanced to the rank of Fleet Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Assistant Paymaster Bertram Hughes Ridler to be Paymaster. Dated 4th December, 1909.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Major John Beville Pym to be Lieutenant-Colonel by Brevet, under the provisions of Order in Council of 19th March, 1883. Dated 6th December, 1909.

War Office, Whitehall, 7th December, 1909.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

Major Mathew R. H. Wilson, 10th (Prince of Wales's Own Royal) Hussars, to be Military Secretary to General Sir O'M. Creagh, V.C., G.C.B., Indian Army, Commander-in-Chief in India, and is granted the temporary rank of Lieutenant - Colonel while so employed. Dated 11th September, 1909.

CAVALBY.

4th (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards, Second Lieutenant Alexander Ernest Burchardt-Ashton, from Gloucestershire Yeomanry (Royal (Royal Second from Gloucestershire Hussars), to be Lieutenant, on augmentation. Dated 8th December, 1909.