* Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, January 29, 1914.

H. 1670.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated the 28th January, from His Majesty's Minister at Guatemala, stating that quarantine measures have been imposed at all ports of Guatemala on arrivals from Ecuador on account of bubonic plague.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, January 29, 1914.

H. 1671.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated the 28th January, from His Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, stating that the medical inspection imposed on arrivals from Trebizond, Rodosto, Aivali and the Dardanelles has been suppressed.

Admiralty, 28th January, 1914.

In accordance with the provisions of Order in Council of 29th June, 1895—

Lieutenant Montague George Philpott has this day been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander.

Admiralty, 28th January, 1914.

With reference to the notice which appeared in the London Gazette of the 9th January, 1914, the date of retirement of Commander James Lewis Soltau Kirkness should be 5th January, 1914, and not as therein stated.

War Office, 30th January, 1914.

TERRITORIAL FORCE.

UNATTACHED LIST FOR THE TERRITORIAL FORCE.

The undermentioned officers cease to hold commissions in the Territorial Force. Dated 31st January, 1914:—

Captain Herbert T. Bateman. Lieutenant William J. Cooper. Lieutenant Edward J. Stevenson.

UNATTACHED LIST FOR AUXILIARY FORCES.

The following announcement is substituted for that which appeared in the London Gazette of the 23rd instant under the heading of the "Unattached List for the Territorial Force":—

Lieutenant-Colonel and Honorary Colonel William A. Ellison, M.V.O., resigns his commission, and is granted permission to retain his rank and to wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 24th January, 1914.

NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1911.

(1 & 2 Geo. V, Ch. 55).

Notice is hereby given, under the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that it is proposed by the Insurance Commissioners (England), after the expiration of at least 40 days from this date, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by sections 42 (c) and 65 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, to make new regulations as to the sums payable in respect of the Administration Expenses of Deposit Contributors, and by such regulations to revoke the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations, 1913.

Draft copies of the said new regulations can be purchased, either directly or through any bookseller, from Messrs. Wyman and Sons Limited, 29, Bream's Buildings, Fetter Lane, London, E.C.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1914. National Health Insurance Commission (England), Buckingham Gate, London, S.W.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1888. BIRKENHEAD.

Proposed Alteration of Boundary.

Whereas, in pursuance of section 54 of the Local Government Act, 1888, representation has been made to the Local Government Board by the Council of the county borough of Birkenhead that it is desirable that by a Provisional Order under the said Act the boundary of the said county borough should be altered so as to include therein—

- (a) the Urban District of High Bebington,
- (b) the Urban District of Lower Bebington,
- (c) the Urban District of Bromborough,(d) part of the township of Bidstone-cum-Ford,
 - (e) the township of Noctorum, (f) the township of Prenton, and (g) the township of Storeton,

which townships are at present wholly included in the Rural District of Wirral:

And whereas a Provisional Order issued under the said Act may be made for any of the purposes mentioned in sections 54 and 59 of the said Act, and may also amend any Local and Personal Act:

And whereas by section 54 of the Local Government Act, 1894, it is provided that where the area of an urban district is extended, then:—

(a) As respects any rural parish or part of a rural parish which will be comprised in the urban district, provision shall be made either by the constitution of a new parish or