Foreign Office, July 27, 1898.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to

William Clayton Pickersgill, Esq., C.B., to be Her Majesty's Consul-General for the States of California and Nevada, and for the Territories of Utah and Arizona, to reside at San Francisco;

Lieutenant-Colonel James Hayes Sadler to be Her Majesty's Consul-General in the British Protectorate on the Somali Coast; and Lieutenant John Lane Harrington to be Her

Majesty's Consul at Zaila.

Foreign Office, July 29, 1898.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to

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Roger Casement, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Portuguese Possessions in West Africa, scuth of the Gulf of Guinea, to reside at Loanda; to be Her Majesty's Consul in the Gaboon; and to be Her Majesty's Consul to the Independent State of the Congo.

Foreign Office, August 4, 1898.

: THE Queen has been graciously pleased to

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Frank William Walter Playfair, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Hakodate, comprising the whole of Hokkaido, Yesso, the Kurile Islands, and the Prefectures of Awomori, Iwate, and Akita; Henry Alfred Constant Bonar, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Kanagawa (Yokohama), comprising the Prefectures of Kanagawa, Miyagi, Yamagata, Fukushima, Niigata, Tokigi, Ibaraki, Guiusua, Saitama, Chiba, Nagano, Yamanashi, Shidzuoka, Gifu, and Aichi, and the city of

Tokio; Raymond de Burgh Money Layard, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Prefectures of Taihoku (Taisseh), Shinchiku, Taichiu, and the Sub-Prefecture of Giran; and

John Sculsby Rowell, Esq., to be Her Majesty's

Vice-Consul at Havre.

Downing Street, September 27, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Gilbert Kenelm Treffry Purcell, Esq., Assistant to the Attorney-General of the Colony of the Leeward Islands, to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

India Office, September 26, 1898.

IHE Queen has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Reverend James Edward Cowell Welldon, M.A., to be Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan Bishop in India and the Island of Ceylon, in succession to the Most Reverend Edward Ralph Johnson, D.D., resigned.

> Education Department, Whitehall, September 27, 1898.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this

day for the compulsory formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:-Countesthorpe ... Leicester

(F. & H. 10156.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Horhour Department), London, September 27, 1898: THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated 17th instant. from Her Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg, invimating that Hong Kong has been declared free from plague.

Admiralty, 27th September, 1898.

The Reverend Edward Griffith Evans, B.A., has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 6th September, 1898.

The Reverend Michael Longridge, B.A., has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Dated 26th September, 1898.

Royal Marine Artillery. St. George Frederick Gordon Caulfield, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 1st September, 1878.

Admiralty, 28th September, 1898.

Royal Marine Light Infantry. Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Frederick Baldwin is placed on a Supplementary Half-Pay List, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of the 29th November, 1881, and 8th February, 1896.

Admiralty, 30th September, 1898.

THE following Sub-Lieutenants have been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet:-

Sidney Edgar Deacon. Seymour Fisher Rowe. Lockhart Leith. Archibald Thomas Stewart. Harry Rowlandson Godfrey. John Kiddle. Geoffrey Basil Spicer Simson. Edmund Henry Jellicoe. Evelyn Leonard Beridge Boothby. Horace Cyril Watson. Ernest Kennaway Arbuthnot. Henry Percy Douglas. Arthur Brandreth Scott Dutton. Ernest William Denison. Michael Henley Wilding. James Walter Sutherland Miller. Evelyn Charles Henry Stuart. Denis Granville Thynne. Edward Hugh Meredith Nicholson. Stephen Bowle Evans.

Dated 30th September, 1898.

Whitehall, September 28, 1898.

THE Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, hereby gives notice that Sir George Clement Bertram has tendered to the Queen his resignation of the office of Bailiff of the Island of Jersey, as from the 1st October next, and that such resignation has been accepted by Her Majesty