Foreign Office,

May 12, 1920.

It is hereby notified that His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs this day received from Monsieur Antoine Pescatore his Letter of Credence as Chargé d' Affaires of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg.

Whitehall, May 18, 1920.

The KING has been pleased to award the Albert Medal in recognition of the gallant conduct of William Mathers and Joseph Bowman, two Dockyard workmen, in endeavouring at the cost of their own lives to save the life of Able Seaman Arthur Henry Brewer at Rosyth on the 27th August last.

Brewer had descended into the Wet Provision Room of H.M.S. "Tiger," in company with J. H. Anderson, a shipwright, when he was overcome by poisonous gases and collapsed. Anderson, himself feeling the effect of the gases, left the compartment as quickly as possible to obtain assistance, and Mathers and Bowman, who were near to the scene, descended without hesitation to endeavour to rescue Brewer. They did not wait for further assistance or for safety appliances, though they were fully aware of the cause of Brewer's collapse and consequently of the grave risk they were running. They were at once overcome by the noxious gases in the compartment, and when removed were in an unconscious condition.

Every endeavour was made to restore them to consciousness, but without success.

Whitehall, May 19, 1920.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Sir Banister Flight Fletcher, late Senior Sheriff of the City of London, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan.

Whitehall, May 19, 1920.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto the undermentioned gentlemen His Majesty's royal licence and authority to wear Decorations (as stated against their respective names) which have been conferred upon them by His Majesty the King of Siam in recognition of valuable services rendered by them :-

Order of the Crown of Siam.

Second Class.

Marston Frank Buszard, Esq. William Francis Lloyd, Esq., Conservator of Forests under the Siamese Government.

Third Class.

Sidney Herbert Cole, Esq. Robert Charles Ryder Wilson, Esq., and Norman Eric Lowe, Esq., of the Royal Siamese Irrigation Department.

Fourth Class.

Norman Sutton, Esq., Headmaster of Suan Kularb School, Bangkok.

Order of the White Elephant.

Third Class.

Mr. Justice (Percival Wilfrid) Thornely, M.A., LL.D., Judge of the Court of Appeal, Bangkok, and Legal Adviser to the Siamese Ministry of Justice.

Fourth Class.

William Warner Shand, Esq., Inspector of Mines under the Siamese Government. Norman Sutton, Esq. Thomas Judge, Esq., Head Master of Wat Debsir:ndr School, Bangkok.

Fifth Class.

John Rose Cormack Lyons, Esq.

The Right Honourable Edward Shortt, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed Harry Sefton Sheppard Scott, Esquire, to be a Junior Inspector of Mines under the Coal Mines Acts, 1887 to 1919, and has directed him to act also as an Inspector for the purposes of the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875, and of the Quarries Act, 1894; and has, further, appointed him to be an Inspector of Factories and Workshops for the purposes of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901.

Whitehall, 18th May 1920.

The Right Honourable Edward Shortt, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed John Swanstone Jobling, Esq., to be a Sub-Inspector of Mines.

Whitehall, 19th May 1920.

Downing Street,

19th May 1920.

The KING has been pleased to give directionsfor the appointment of Ewen Reginald Logan, Esq., M.A. (Chief Justice, Seychelles), to be a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Gold Coast Colony.

TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

HAT, CAPAND MILLINERY TRADE BOARD (SCOTLAND).

PROPOSAL TO FIX MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES-FOR MALE AND FEMALE WORKERS.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, by the Minister of Labour, and dated 31st October 1918, the Trade Board established under the