square inch above that of the atmosphere, and whether or not in admixture with other substances, or when in admixture with atmospheric air or with oxygen gas in whatever proportion and at whatever pressure, and whether or not in admixture with other substances, shall be deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act, subject to the following exception; that if it be shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that acetylene, declared to be deemed to be explosive by this Order, when in admixture with any substance, or in any form or condition, is not possessed of explosive properties, the Secretary of State may, by Order, exempt such acetylene from being deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act.

And whereas by section forty-three of the Explosives Act, 1875 (38 Vict. c. 17), it is provided that His Majesty, from time to time, by Order in Council, may prohibit, either absolutely, or except in pursuance of a licence of the Secretary of State under the said Act, or may subject to conditions or restrictions the manufacture, keeping, importation from any place out of the United Kingdom, conveyance, and sale, or any of them, of any explosive which is of so dangerous a character that, in the judgement of His Majesty, it is expedient for the public safety to make such Order:

And whereas it is, in the judgment of His Majesty, expedient for the public safety that acetylene, declared by this Order to be deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act shall be prohibited:

And whereas the provisions of Section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893 (56 & 57 Vict. c. 66), have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that acetylene, declared by this Order to be deemed to be an explosive, shall be prohibited from being manufactured, kept, imported, conveyed, or sold:

Provided that nothing in this Order shall apply (1) to the manufacture or keeping of acetylene under the following conditions:—

- (a) that the pressure to which the acetylene is subjected shall not exceed twenty-two pounds to the square inch above that of the atmosphere, and
- (b) that the manufacture and keeping shall be carried out only on such premises and under such conditions as may be approved by the Secretary of State; or
- (2) to acetylene in admixture with air or oxygen when such admixture takes place only in the burner or contrivance in which the mixture is intended to be burnt; or
- (3) to an admixture of acetylene and air which may unavoidably occur in the first use or recharging of an apparatus, properly designed and constructed with a view to the production of pure acetylene.

This Order shall come into operation on the third day of February 1937, and as from that date the Order in Council dated the 18th June 1914 (S.R. & O. 1914 (No. 907) I. p. 566), relating to acetylene is hereby revoked: Provided that nothing is this revocation shall affect the Orders of the Secretary of State dated the

28th March 1898 (S.R. & O. Rev., 1904, "Explosive Substance," p. 77), the 29th September 1905 (S.R. & O. 1905 (No. 1128) I. p. 86), and the 23rd June 1919 (S.R. & O. 1919 (No. 809) I. p. 702), and such Order shall have effect as if made under this Order.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1, 1st February 1937.

The KING has been pleased to command that the title and dignity of a Dame Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order be conferred upon The Queen.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1, 1st February 1937.

The KING has been pleased to appoint The Queen to be Grand Master of the Royal Victorian Order.

Admiralty, 1st February 1937. R.N.

In pursuance of His Majesty's pleasure, the undermentioned Officers have been appointed Personal Naval Aides-de-Camp to The KING:—

Captain H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O.

Commander The Lord Louis Mountbatten, K.C.V.O.

1st Feb. 1937.

War Office, 1st February 1937.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the following appointments as Personal Aides-de-Camp to his Majesty:—
Field-Marshal His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., V.D., T.D., Colonel Grenadier Guards, Colonel-in-Chief The Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment), The Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own), Royal Army Service Corps, and Royal Army Medical Corps, Honorary Colonel 3rd Battalion (Militia) The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, 3rd and 4th Battalions (Militia) The Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment), 97th (Kent Yeomanry) Field Brigade (Army) Royal Artillery, Territorial Army, 6th (Duke of Connaught's Own) Battalion, The Hampshire Regiment, Territorial Army, 18th