NOTICE is hereby given, that an award was made on the 28th day of November, 1865, by the Registrar of Friendly Societies in England, under the provisions of the 23 and 24 Vict., c. 58, for the dissolution and the division of the funds of the Friendly Society called the Aston Catholic Friendly Society, held at Stone, in the county of Stafford.

John Tidd Pratt, Registrar of Friendly Societies in England.

London, 30th day of November, 1865.

In the Matter of Letters Patent, granted to John Weems, of Johnstone, in the county of Renfrew, North Britain, Tin Smith, for his invention of "Improvements in the manufacture or production of Metallic Pipes and Sheets," bearing date, or sealed the 31st day of May, 1852, for Scotland, and of Letters Patent for the same invention, bearing date at Westminster, the 11th day of November, 1852.

OTICE is hereby given, that it is the intention of the above-named John Weems, and of Thomas Buchanan Campbell, William Camp-

bell, Robert Laurie, James Slimon, James Fraser, and Robert Campbell, of Edinburgh and Leith, trading under the style of Thomas B. Campbell and Company, Lead Manufacturers, to present a petition to Her Majesty in Council, praying Her Majesty to grant a prolongation of the terms of the said several Letters Patent. And notice is hereby further given, that on the 8th day of January, 1866, or on such subsequent day as the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council shall appoint for that purpose. An application will be made to the said Committee for a time to be fixed for hearing the matter of the said petition; and any person desirous of being heard in opposition to the prayer of the said petition, must enter a caveat to that effect in the Privy Council Office, on or before the said 8th day of January, 1866.—Dated this 23rd day of November, 1865.

> J. Henry Johnson, No. 47, Lincoln's-innfields, London, Solicitor for the Petitioners.

A RETURN shewing the Amounts received from, and paid to, Savings' Banks, and Post Office Savings' Banks, in the United Kingdom, by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, during the Four Weeks ending Saturday, 2nd December, 1865.

	Total Amount received by the Commissioners. Total Amount paid the Commissioners.
Savings' Banks—	£ s. d. £ s. d.
In Money and Interest credited	50,248 7 1 132,021 2 3
To Transfer Certificates from Post Office Savings' Banks to Savings' Banks	108 16 5
By Transfer Certificates from Savings' Banks to Post Office Savings' Banks}	16,455 0 8
Total	£50,357 3 6 £148,476 2 11
Post Office Savings' Banks— In Money and Interest credited	55,000 0 0 . 11,547 15 5
To Transfer Certificates from Savings' Banks to Post Office Savings' Banks	16,455 0 832
By Transfer Certificates from Post Office Savings' Banks to Savings' Banks	108 16 5
Totals	£71,455 0 8 £11,656 11 10

Total Amounts on the 2nd December, 1865, at the credit of-

The Fund for the Banks for Savings £ 37,999,342 0 11
The Post Office Savings' Banks Fund 6,508,723 16 5

Total ... £ 44,508,065 17 4

Ditto-by last Monthly Account £44,546,386 7 11

C. J. BOTT, Check Officer, National Debt Office, 4th December, 1865. A. Y. SPEARMAN, Comptroller-General.