At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 4th day of May, 1911.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Earl Carrington.

Lord Haversham.

Lord Ashby St. Ledgers.

HEREAS it is provided by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, that the Legislature of any British Possession may by an Act or Ordinance confirmed by His Majesty in Council repeal, wholly or in part, any provisions of that Act (other than those of the third part thereof which relate to emigrant ships) relating to ships registered in that Possession; but that any such Act or Ordinance shall not take effect until the approval of His Majesty has been proclaimed in that Possession or until such time thereafter as may be fixed by the Act or Ordinance for the purpose:

And whereas the Legislature of the Colony of the Straits Settlements by an Ordinance No. XXXII. of 1910, entitled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law with respect to Merchant Shipping," has in part repealed the provisions of the said Act other than those of the third part thereof which relate to emigrant ships:

And whereas it is expedient that the said Ordinance should be confirmed by His Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to confirm the said Ordinance.

Almeric FitzRoy.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

BENTHAM HIRING FAIR.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that a representation has been duly made to him by the Settle Rural District Council, to the effect that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the Hiring Fair which has been held annually at Bentham, in the Rural District of Settle, in the West Riding of the county of York, on the 22nd day of June, should in future be held on the 23rd day of June when the 22nd June is a Sunday or Bank Holiday.

On the 10th day of June, 1911, the Secretary of State will take such representation into consideration, and any person who may desire to object to the alteration of the date for the holding of the said Fair should intimate his objections to the Secretary of State before that day.

Home Office, Whitehall, May 12, 1911.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1901.

In pursuance of section 118 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, the Right Honourable Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has been pleased to appoint Mr. Albert Charles Margetts and Mr. Walter Richard Perks to be Inspectors' Assistants under that Act.

Whitehall, 13th May, 1911.

STORMONT HOUSE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Provisional Certificate.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that he has this day issued a provisional Certificate under the provisions of the Children Act, 1908 (8 Edw. VII, c. 67), for the premises No. 75, Downs Park Road, Hackney Downs, in the county of London, lately known as the Stormont House Residential School for Blind Boys, with a view to the reception therein of very young boys committed to an Industrial School in pursuance of the Children Act or of the Elementary Education Act, 1876 (39 and 40 Vic., c. 79), the Certificate for the school as one for blind boys having been surrendered.

The Certificate, which is of a temporary nature, authorizes the reception into the school of twelve boys under seven years of age pending the completion of certain structural alterations to the buildings, when a permanent Certificate for the full number of boys will be issued.

Whitehall, 15th May, 1911.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1906.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. John Tatham Thompson, the appointment held by him of Medical Referee under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, for County Court Circuits Nos. 24, 30 and 31, is vacant. Dr. Thompson was appointed with a view to his being employed in all ophthalmic cases which might arise in those Circuits. Applications for the post should be addressed to the Private Secretary, Home Office, and should reach him not later than the 6th June.

Whitehall, 15th May, 1911.

Factory Department, Home Office, May 10, 1911.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. H. R. Fisher, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Act at Fillongley, in the county of Warwick, is vacant.