Ambassador at Constantinople, stating that the Turkish Government have notified that they no longer consider coal as contraband of war.

Foreign Office, December 3, 1912.

His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received a telegram from His Majesty's Minister at Sofia stating that the port of Varna has been closed to international commerce until further orders.

Whitehall, November 30, 1912..

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto James Claude Baril d'Aubuz, Bimbashi, Inspector of the Cairo City Police, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

WILD BIRD (ENGLAND).

The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of Somerset) Order, 1912.

Dated 2nd December, 1912.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the Council of the Administrative County of Somerset, I hereby make the following Order:—

Title.

I. This Order may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of Somerset) Order, 1912."

BIRDS.

Close Time Extended.

II. The time during which the killing or taking of the Sheldrake or Burrow Duck is prohibited within the Administrative County of Somerset, shall be extended so as to be between the last day of February and the 1st day of September in any year.

Additions to the Schedule of the Act of 1880.

III. The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, shall apply within the Administrative County of Somerset to the following species of Wild Birds in the same manner as if those species were included in the Schedule to the Act:—Buzzard, Chiffchaff, Peregrine Falcon, Pied Flycatcher, Spotted Flycatcher, Hen Harrier, Marsh Harrier, Montagu's Harrier, Hobby, Kestrel, House Martin, Sand Martin, Merlin, Osprey, Ring Ousel, Water Ousel or Dipper, Meadow Pipit, Rock Pipit, Tree Pipit, Great Grey Shrike, Red-backed Shrike, Swallow, Swift, Blue Tit, Cole Tit, Great Tit, Longtailed Tit, Marsh Tit, Blue-headed Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, Pied Wagtail, White Wagtail, Yellow Wagtail, Blackcap Warbler, Garden

Warbler, Grasshopper Warbler, Reed Warbler, Sedge Warbler, Willow Warbler, Wheatear, Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Common Wren, Fire-crested Wren, Golden-crested Wren, Wood Wren or Wood Warbler, Wryneck.

Certain Birds Protected during the whole of the Year.

IV. During that period of the year to which the protection afforded by the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, does not extend, the killing or taking of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited within the Administrative County of Somerset:—Bittern, Little Bittern, Common Buzzard, Rough-legged Buzzard, Chough, Crossbill, Dotterel, Peregrine Falcon, Bar-tailed Godwit, Black-tailed Godwit, Goldfinch, Dusky Grebe, Great Crested Grebe, Little Grebe, Hobby, Kestrel, Kingfisher, Kite, Merlin, Nightjar (Fern Owl, Goatsucker, Night Hawk), Osprey, Ring Ousel, Brown Owl, Long-eared Owl, Short-eared Owl, White Owl or Barn Owl, Oystercatcher, Raven, Redshank, Spotted or Dusky Redshank, Redstart, Black Redstart, Siskin, Spoonbill, Black Tern, Common Tern, Lesser Tern, Blue-headed Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, Pied Wagtail, White Wagtail, Yellow Wagtail, Green Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Common Wren, Fire-crested Wren, Goldencrested Wren.

All Birds Protected during the whole of the Year in certain Areas.

V. During that period of the year to which the protection afforded by the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880 (as extended by Clause II of this Order), does not extend, the killing or taking of all Wild Birds is prohibited:—

(a) On the beach, shore, or foreshore in the parishes of East Quantoxhead, West Quantoxhead, Dunster, and Carhampton, and on so much of the beach, shore, or foreshore in the parish of Old Cleeve as lies to the west of a line drawn due north from a rock known as "Grey Rock" at Blue Anchor Point (the total length of the protected area being six miles and a half):

(b) In an area comprising Brean Down, in the parish of Brean, and such parts of that parish and the parishes of Weston-super-Mare and Uphill as are comprised within the following boundary line: A line commencing at a point at low-water mark fifty yards to the north of the mouth of the River Axe, proceeding in a south-easterly direction in a straight line to and including Black Rock, thence to a point fifty yards to the north-east of the ferry landing place in the parish of Uphill, thence across the river, proceeding in a north-westerly direction to Black Point, thence along the southern base of Brean Down to Howe Rock, and from Howe Rock along low-water mark to the point of commencement.

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All Eggs Protected in certain Areas.

VI. The taking or destroying of the Egg or Eggs of any species of Wild Bird is prohibited:—

(a) On the foreshore, beach, shore, or cliffs within the distance of fifty yards measured inland throughout from the top edge