by the Rules Publication Act, 1893, and by section 83 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and of every other power enabling Them on that behalf, issued, under date the 7th instant, Provisional Regulations amending the National Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1912, in regard to the powers of the several bodies of Insurance Commissioners, under the proviso to sub-section 2 of section 15 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, in respect of the retention of moneys for purposes of research and the making of Regulations as to the application of moneys so retained.

Copies of the Provisional Regulations may be obtained from Messrs. Wyman and Sons, Limited, Fetter Lane, E.C., and 54, St. Mary Street, Cardiff; or H.M. Stationery Office (Scottish Branch), 23, Forth Street, Edinburgh; or Messrs. E. Ponsonby, Limited, 116, Grafton Street, Dublin.

Foreign Office, August 7, 1913.

It is hereby notified that on the 5th inst. the Right Honourable Sir Edward Grey, Bart., K.G., M.P., His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, received from Senhor Eduardo Felix Simõcs dos Santos Lisboa, copies of his Letters of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of Brazil, and of the Letters of Recall of his predecessor, Senhor Francisco Regis de Oliveira.

ST. MARY'S HOME, BUXTED, SUSSEX.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that, on the application of the Church Penitentiary Association, he has certified as an Industrial School for Girls the premises known as St. Mary's Home, Buxted, Sussex.

The Certificate bears date the 7th August, 1913, and allows of the reception of twenty-six girls, committed and voluntary cases included.

Whitehall, 7th August, 1913.~

COAL MINES ACT, 1911.

In pursuance of Part I of the Second Schedule to the Coal Mines Act, 1911, notice is hereby given, that the Secretary of State for the Home Department proposes to make general regulations under the Coal Mines Act, 1911, to apply to all mines under that Act in which ganister is worked. Copies of the draft regulations may be obtained by persons affected on application to the Home Office.

Any objection with respect to the draft regulations by or on behalf of any person affected thereby must be sent to the Secretary of State within thirty days from this date, i.e., before 8th September next. Every such objection must be in writing, and must state (a) the specific grounds of objection; (b) the omissions, additions, or modifications asked for.

Whitehall, 8th August, 1913.

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Scottish Office, Whitehall, 6th August, 1913.

A loyal and dutiful Address from the Synod of the Free: Presbyterian Church of Scotland having been forwarded to the Secretary for Scotland for presentation to the King, has been presented accordingly to His Majesty, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

Scottish Office, Whitehall, 7th August, 1913.

The KING has been pleased by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 6th instant, to appoint the Right Reverend Andrew Wallace Williamson, D.D., presently Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, and one of His Majesty's Chaplains-in-Ordinary in Scotland, to the office of Dean of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle and Dean of the Chapel Royal in Scotland, vacant by the death of the Very Reverend Sir James Cameron Lees, D.D., K.C.V.O.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, July 31, 1913. H. 10419.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated the 29th July, from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Berne, to the effect that Bulgaria and Servia have been declared, by a Federal Decree of the 26th July, to be contaminated with cholera.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, August 5, 1913. H. 10558.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated the 2nd August, from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Constantinople, to the effect that a medical visit and disinfection have been imposed on vessels arriving from Smyrna owing to an outbreak of cholera there.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, August 5, 1913. H. 10503.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated the 31st July, from His Majesty's Minister at Athens, to the effect that the measures in force on arrivals from Cavalla have been reduced to a medical inspection followed by supervision.