

ing within, but attempts to resuscitate them were unavailing.

Briggs, Bywater, and Vinters deserve much credit for their plucky action. Exposed to the effects of gas and running risks of falling from the unprotected platform—in which case no assistance could have reached them—they did their utmost to save the three men at the bottom of the holder, and, while unsuccessful in two cases, they effected the rescue of the third.

Whitehall, December 8, 1913.

Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the creation of the undermentioned Baronets:—

Sir William Gwynne-Evans, Baronet, of Oaklands Park, in the county of Gloucester.

Sir Joseph White-Todd, Baronet, of Eaton Place, in the city of Westminster.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1906.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. Frank Buszard, the appointment held by him of Medical Referee under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, for County Court Circuit No. 36 is vacant. Dr. Buszard was attached more particularly to Ampthill, Brackley, Buckingham, Kettering, Northampton, and Wellingborough County Courts. Applications for the post should be addressed to the Private Secretary, Home Office, and should reach him not later than the 31st December, 1913.

Whitehall, 8th December, 1913.

Factory Department, Home Office,
December 5, 1913.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. W. B. Heywood, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Newbury, in the county of Berks, is vacant.

Factory Department, Home Office,
December 8, 1913.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. C. S. Lunan, an appointment as Certifying

Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Blairgowrie, in the county of Perth, is vacant.

Factory Department, Home Office,
December 8, 1913.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. C. O'Reilly, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Moville, in the county of Donegal, is vacant.

TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

Order of the Board of Trade under Section 5 (2).

WHEREAS by section 4 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, it is amongst other things provided as follows:—

(1) Trade Boards shall, subject to the provisions of this section, fix minimum rates of wages for timework for their trades (in this Act referred to as minimum time-rates), and may also fix general minimum rates of wages for piecework for their trades (in this Act referred to as general minimum piece-rates), and those rates of wages (whether time or piece-rates) may be fixed so as to apply universally to the trade, or so as to apply to any special process in the work of the trade, or to any special class of workers in the trade, or to any special area.

If a Trade Board report to the Board of Trade that it is impracticable in any case to fix a minimum time-rate in accordance with this section, the Board of Trade may so far as respects that case relieve the Trade Board of their duty.

(2) Before fixing any minimum time-rate or general minimum piece-rate, the Trade Board shall give notice of the rate which they propose to fix, and consider any objections to the rate which may be lodged with them within three months.

(3) The Trade Board shall give notice of any minimum time-rate or general minimum piece-rate fixed by them.

And whereas by section 5 of the said Act it is amongst other things provided—

(1) Until a minimum time-rate or general minimum piece-rate fixed by a Trade Board has been made obligatory by order of the Board of Trade under this section, the operation of the rate shall be limited as in this Act provided.

(2) Upon the expiration of six months from the date on which a Trade Board have given notice of any minimum time-rate or general minimum piece-rate fixed by them, the Board of Trade shall make an Order (in this Act referred to as an obligatory Order) making that minimum rate obligatory in cases in which it is applicable on all persons.