

And I hereby authorize the Minister of Militia and Defence at Ottawa and all persons duly authorized by him to dispose of and distribute on my behalf any part of the estate coming to his or their hands as aforesaid in accordance with the conditions in the said Act and any regulations prescribed under the said Act.

And I declare that for the purposes of exercising the powers delegated to them all persons authorized to act on my behalf shall have and exercise all such further or incidental powers as are by the said Act or any regulations prescribed thereunder conferred or vested in the Secretary of State.

And I hereby further declare that all receipts of money or effects of any member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force deceased during the present war, and all payments out of monies so received, and all distributions, disposals and applications of such monies and effects had or made before the date hereof by the said Director of Pay and Record Services, whether under that title or under his former title of Chief Paymaster of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, or by any person or persons acting under his authority in pursuance or purported pursuance of the said Act, and or regulations prescribed thereunder, have been had and made under the authority of and with the sanction of the Secretary of State.

Given under my hand this third day of December, 1915.

A. Bonar Law.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, 15th December, 1915.
H. 12623.*

The Board of Trade have received a copy of a Notice, issued by the Government of Malta, on the 26th November last, stating that the ports of Tetuan and Arzila, in Morocco, are no longer regarded as places infected with bubonic plague.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM (LIQUOR CONTROL).

GENERAL ORDER (AMENDING AND EXPLANATORY) OF THE CENTRAL CONTROL BOARD (LIQUOR TRAFFIC).

We the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic) in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the Acts and Regulations relating to the Defence of the Realm hereby make the following General Order:

Additional Saving Provision.

1. The following paragraph shall be inserted after paragraph (a) of the Article entitled "Saving Provisions" in each of the Orders of the Board now in force in the respective areas to which the Defence of the Realm (Liquor Control) Regulations, 1915, and any Regulations amending the same, have been applied.

(a2) The consumption of intoxicating liquor at a meal by any person in any licensed premises or club at any time within half an hour after the conclusion of the afternoon and evening hours during which the sale or supply of intoxicating liquor is permitted by this Order:

Provided that the liquor was sold or supplied and served during such hours at the same time as the meal and for consumption at the meal:

And each of the said Orders shall be read as if the said paragraph were inserted as aforesaid in the said Article.

In the application of this Order to any area or part of an area situate in Scotland this Order shall be read as if the expression "exciseable liquor" were substituted for the expression "intoxicating liquor."

Hours of Opening in England and Wales on Christmas Day.

2. The hours during which intoxicating liquor may be sold and supplied on Christmas Day in licensed premises and clubs in any such area or part of an area situate in England or Wales whether for consumption on or off the premises shall in each case be the hours during which by the provisions of Article (2) of the said respective Orders applying to areas or parts of areas situate in England or Wales such sale or supply for consumption on or off the premises is respectively permitted on Sundays.

PROVIDED ALWAYS—

(a) In such part of the Western Border Area as is situate in England the hours shall be the hours between 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m., and between 6.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. for consumption on the premises and the hours between 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. and 8 p.m. for consumption off the premises:

(b) In the areas of Newport, Cardiff and Barry the hours shall be the hours between 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. for consumption on the premises and the hours between 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. for consumption off the premises:

And Article (2) of each of the said Orders applying to areas or parts of areas situate in England or Wales shall be read as if the provisions of this Article were inserted therein.

3. This Order shall not apply to the London Area.

Given under the Seal of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic) this Fourteenth day of December, 1915.

D'ABERNON,
Chairman.

JOHN PEDDER,
Member of the Board.

(L.S.)

Admiralty, 15th December, 1915.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the undermentioned Officer in recognition of his services and signal gallantry in charge of machine guns in the Gallipoli Peninsula:—

Lieutenant Theodore Douglas Hallam,
R.N.V.R. (now Acting Flight-Lieutenant,
R.N.).

Admiralty, 13th December, 1915.

The notice which appeared in the London Gazette of the 7th December, 1915, relative to the grant of a temporary commission as Sub-Lieutenant R.N.V.R. to Henry Kerr Abram is hereby cancelled.