

embark at any port in the United Kingdom except after examination by an aliens officer, and an alien shall not embark at any port in the United Kingdom without the permission of an aliens officer:

"Provided that, in granting or refusing permission, an aliens officer shall act in accordance with general or special instructions of a Secretary of State, and any refusal of permission may be revoked by a Secretary of State."

4. The following amendments shall be made in Article 22A of the principal Order:—

In sub-section (5) and sub-section (6) the words "Board of Trade" shall be omitted;

In sub-section (7), for the words "Board of Trade" there shall be substituted the words "Minister of Labour," and the words "or Board" shall be omitted.

5. In Article 22B, for the words "Board of Trade" wherever those words occur, there shall be substituted the words "Minister of Labour."

6. In Article 27 of the principal Order the words "lands or embarks without the permission of an aliens officer, or" shall be omitted.

7. In Article 31, at the end of the definition of "munitions work," there shall be inserted the following definition:—

"The expression "labour exchange" means a labour exchange established or assisted under the Labour Exchanges Act, 1909."

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 6th day of *February*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Ministry of Pensions Act, 1916, there are transferred to the Minister of Pensions certain powers and duties of the Admiralty, the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital for soldiers at Chelsea, the Army Council and the Secretary of State for the War Department:

And whereas it is further provided by the said Act that His Majesty may by Order in Council fix the time or times as from which the several powers are to be transferred to the Minister:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

(1) The date as from which the said powers and duties are to be transferred to the Minister of Pensions shall be the 15th day of February, 1917.

(2) This Order may be cited as the Ministry of Pensions (Transfer of Powers) Order, 1917.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 6th day of *February*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS under section four of the New Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, it is provided, amongst other things, that the

Food Controller appointed under that Act is to have such powers or duties of any Government department or authority, whether conferred by statute or otherwise, as His Majesty may by Order in Council transfer to him or authorise him to exercise or perform concurrently with or in consultation with the Government department or authority concerned:

Now, therefore His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. For the purpose of giving the Food Controller concurrent powers under subsection (2) of section one of the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1915, that enactment shall be read as if the Food Controller were specified therein in addition to the Admiralty or Army Council.

2. This Order may be cited as the Food Controller (Concurrent Powers) Order, 1917.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 6th day of *February*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it is provided by Section 7 of the New Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty to establish an Air Board, and that members of the Air Board established under that Act shall be appointed in such manner and subject to such provisions as His Majesty may by Order in Council direct:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The Air Board shall, until it is by Order in Council otherwise directed, consist, in addition to the President, of the following:—

(a) A Parliamentary Secretary of the Board;

(b) The Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty who is charged with the direction of the Naval Air Services;

(c) The member of the Army Council who is charged with the direction of Military Aeronautics;

(d) The Controller of Aeronautical Supplies and the Controller of the Petrol Engine Department, of the Ministry of Munitions;

(e) Additional members as may from time to time be found desirable.

2. In the event of one or other of the officers named under the letters (b), (c), (d) above being unable to attend a meeting of the Board the Department to which he belongs may designate an officer to attend in his place.

3. Members of the Air Board other than those who are appointed in virtue of the holding of certain offices shall be appointed by the President of the Board.

4. Members of the Air Board appointed in virtue of the holding of certain offices shall continue to be members of the Board so long as they hold those offices. Members appointed otherwise than as aforesaid shall hold their appointments at the pleasure of the President of the Board.