Crescent, Cardiff; 23, Forth Street, Edinburgh; or from E. Ponsonby, Limited, 116, Grafton Street, Dublin.

Whitehall, 20th March, 1917.

Whitehall, March 23, 1917.

The KING was pleased, at Buckingham Palace, on Wednesday, the 21st instant, to present to Superintendent Robert John Forbes, of the Bradford City Fire Brigade, the Albert Medal of the Second Class for gallantry in saving life on land.

On the 21st of August, 1916, at 2.30 p.m., a fire broke out at the works of the Low Moor Munition Company, Limited. Three motor fire engines answered the alarm, one of which, in charge of the Chief Officer, drove into the yard of the premises, where a violent explosion had already taken place, while the other two remained outside. Another explosion took place almost immediately, injuring the Chief Officer and his chauffeur, and stunning Superintendent Forbes. On recovery Forbes went to the assistance of the Chief Officer and chauffeur, when a still more violent explosion occurred, killing seven firemen and seriously injuring twelve others, including Forbes. Forbes nevertheless brought the Chief Officer to a place of safety and returned and rescued two other injured firemen, who would otherwise have lost their lives. After driving the engines away from the yard, and thus saving them from damage, he collapsed.

His injuries incapacitated him from duty for five weeks.

Whitehall, March 26, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 23rd instant, to appoint the Right Honourable Sir Joseph Compton-Rickett, M.P., to be one of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

Whitehall, March 27, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 26th instant, to appoint Charles Henry, Baron Leconfield, to be Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of and in the county of Sussex, in the room of Henry, Duke of Norfolk, deceased.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

The Right Honourable Sir George Cave, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in virtue of the powers conferred on him by

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section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, has appointed Sergeant Michael P. Byrne (No. 59967), of the Royal Irish Constabulary, to be an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act. Whitehall, 23rd March, 1917.

"DRUIDS CROSS" REFORMATORY, WAVERTREE, LIVERPOOL

Extension of Certificate.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that the Temporary Certificate granted on the 8th August, 1916, certifying for a period of six months the "Druids Cross" Reformatory as fit for the reception of girls sent to a Reformatory School in pursuance of the provisions of the Children Act, 1908, has been extended until the 30th April, 1917.

Whitehall, 23rd March, 1917.

Factory Department, Home Office, March 20, 1917.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. S. B. Blomfield, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Robertsbridge, in the County of Sussex, is vacant.

Factory Department, Home Office, March 23, 1917.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. C. Kemp to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Morriston District of the County of Glamorgan.

Factory Department, Home Office, 23rd March, 1917.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Lydd, in the County of Kent, is vacant.

WILD BIRDS (SCOTLAND).

THE WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (COUNTY OF INVERNESS) (No. 2) ORDER, 1917.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the County