For instance Handel Maatschappy van den Berg & Company, and Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Dumonceau Frères will be found under "Berg" and "Komeet" respectively, and not under "Handel" or "Naamlooze."

Chancery of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Downing Street, 28th September, 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:—

To be an Additional Member of the Third Class, or Companions, of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Captain William Archibald Howard Kelly, R.N., C.B., M.V.O.; in recognition of his services as Liaison Officer between the French and British Admiralties.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, S.W., 28th September, 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Royal Victorian Order:—

To be Commander.

Major-General Albert Sydney Collard, C.B. (Dated 20th September, 1917.)

To be Members of the Fourth Class.

Lieutenant-Commander William Eric Campbell Tait, Royal Navy. (Dated 14th August, 1917.)

Major Vernon Alexander Cartwright, Royal Engineers. (Dated 20th September, 1917.)

Whitehall, September 25, 1917.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Herbert Luigi Costa, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of Chevalier of the Order of Leopold II, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of the Belgians, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

## Whitehall, September 26, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, in pursuance of the provisions of the Second Schedule to the Military Service Act, 1916 (5 & 6 Geo. V, cap. 104), to appoint Sir Cyril Jackson, K.B.E., to be a member of the Central Tribunal for Great Britain.

## Whitehall, September 1, 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to declare and ordain that Anastasia Michailovna Wernher (hitherto known as Countess Anastasia Michailovna Torby), wife of Harold Augustus Wernher, Esquire, Major

in the Army, shall henceforth have and enjoy upon all occasions the same style, title, place, pre-eminence, and precedence as the daughter of an Earl of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

And to command that the said Royal Declaration and Order be recorded in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.

THE RAW COTTON (PRICES) OBDER, 1917, DATED 21ST SEPTEMBER, 1917, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE UNDER REGULATIONS 2F AND 2JJ OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

Whereas by Regulation 2JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations the Board of Trade have the like powers as are given to the Food Controller under Regulations 2F and 2J inclusive, as respects any articles of commerce to which the powers of the Food Controller under those Regulations do not extend, where it appears to the Board necessary or expedient to exercise any of those powers for the purpose of encouraging or maintaining the supply of any such article which is required by the public or by any section of the public:

And whereas by virtue of Regulation 2r those powers include powers to make Orders regulating or giving directions with respect to the production, manufacture, treatment, use, consumption, transport, storage, distribution, supply, sale, or purchase of, or other dealing in, or measures to be taken in relation to, any article (including orders providing for the fixing of maximum and minimum prices):

And whereas by Order dated the 28th June, 1917, the Board of Trade prohibited the purchase or sale of Raw Cotton by any person except under a licence (general or special) granted by or under the authority of the Board of Trade or otherwise than in accordance with the conditions, if any, subject to which such licence is granted, which conditions might include conditions as to maximum prices:

And whereas it appears to the Board of Trade expedient to further exercise their powers as respects Raw Cotton in manner provided by this Order:

Now, therefore, on the recommendation of the Cotton Control Board, the Board of Trade, in pursuance of their powers under the said Regulations and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, do hereby order as follows:—

- 1. A Committee or Committees appointed by or under the authority of the Board of Trade shall fix and notify daily, or at such other intervals as may be determined by the Board, the official values of such classes of raw cotton as shall be specified by the Board from time to time.
- 2. The spot prices ruling in the Southern States of America in the case of American Cotton, in Alexandria in the case of Egyptian Cotton, and similarly in the country of origin in other cases, if any, shall be taken as the basis of official value, and to this shall be added approximate cost of transportation, insurance, placing in warehouse in Liverpool, and such profit and such other charge, if any, as the Board of Trade may from time to time allow.
- 3. No person shall offer or receive for raw cotton a price more than 5 per cent. in excess