relieving the local authority from the obligation of making allowances for renewals or depreciation."

2. After Regulation 30E the following regulation shall be inserted:

"30EE.—(1) No person shall after the twenty-seventh day of May, nineteen hundred and eighteen, have or retain at any time in his possession or under his control silver coins current in the United Kingdom of a value exceeding that of the amount of silver coinage reasonably required by him at that time for the purposes of the personal expenditure of himself and his family and of his trade or business (if any); and if any person acts in contravention of this regulation he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations.

"In any proceedings for contravention of this regulation the burden of showing what amount of silver coinage is reasonably required for the purposes aforesaid shall rest

upon the person charged.

"(2) Any person who sells or purchases, or offers to sell or purchase, any coin current in the United Kingdom for an amount exceeding the face value of the coin, or accepts or offers to accept any such coin in payment of a debt or otherwise for an amount exceeding its face value, shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations."

3. In Regulation 35B for the words "or of any aircraft" there shall be substituted the

words "or any aircraft."

4. Regulation 41B shall be amended by the insertion after the word "country" of the words "or Finland," and after the words "Act, 1915," of the words "or of any person resident in Finland."

The foregoing amendments of Regulation 41B shall be deemed to have had effect from the fifteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and

eighteen.

Provided that no person shall be liable to a penalty by reason of any contravention of or failure to comply with the provisions of the said regulation as so amended committed or occurring before the eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and eighteen, unless he would have been so liable if the said regulation had not been so amended.

J. C. Ledlie.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, S.W. 18th May, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Hylton George Hylton, Baron Hylton, to be Captain of His Majesty's Body Guard of the Yeoman of the Guard, in the room of Colonel Suffield, C.B., M.V.O., Charles, Baron resigned.

> Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, S.W. 18th May, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to appoint The Right Honourable Sir Savile Brinton, Baron Somerleyton, K.C.V.O., to be one of the Lords-in-Waiting in Ordinary to His Majesty, in the room of Hylton George Hylton, Baron Hylton, resigned. Whitehall, May 20, 1918.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrants under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, to grant permission to wear the undermentioned Italian, Belgian, Egyptian and Chinese Decorations, which have been conferred in recognition of valuable services rendered:

Decorations conferred by HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF ITALY. Order of the Crown of Italy.

Grand Officer.

Sir Edmund Charles Wyldbore Smith, Director, British Executive Staff, Commission Internationale de Ravitaillement.

Officer.

Reginald Franklyn Hare Duke, Esq., M.B.E., General Secretary of the said British Executive Staff.

Chevalier.

Oswald Cotton Chapman, Esq., and Harry Kent, Esq., also Members of the said British Executive Staff, being Shipping Secretary and Adviser on Coal and Cereal Shipments, respectively.

Decorations conferred by HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF THE BELGIANS.

Order of Leopold.

Grand Officer.

Sir Frederick John Jackson, K.C.M.G., C.B., lately Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Uganda Protectorate.

> Order of the Crown. Officer.

Sir Douglas William Owen, K.B.E., President, War Risks Advisory Committee.

> Order of Leopold II. Chevalier.

James William Verdier, Esq., Secretary, War Risks Advisory Committee. David Llewellyn Evans, Esq., Treasurer, War Risks Advisory Committee.

Decoration conferred by HIS HIGHNESS THE SULTAN OF EGYPT.

> Order of the Nile. Grand Cordon.

Sir William Edwin Brunyate, K.C.M.G., Judicial Adviser to the Egyptian Government.

Decoration conferred by THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA. Order of the Excellent Crop. Second Class.

Sir Robert Ho Tung.

## WELFARE OF WORKERS IN FAC-TORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that on the 15th May, 1918, he made an Order under Section 7 of the Police, Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1916, respecting the welfare of workers employed in factories in which the