REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1918.

REGISTRATION EXPENSES IN ENGLAND AND WALES.

In pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 15 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, We, being Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majestjy' Treasury, hereby alter the scales of Registration Expenses framed by the Treasury on the 7th day of March, 1918, so that expenditure actually incurred and not exceeding the amounts indicated below may be defrayed by Registration Officers in addition to the expenditure authorised by the said scales.

For the remuneration of Assistant Overseers and other persons similarly employed for services in connection with the preparation of the Absent Voters' Lists for the First Register under the Act.

Where the number of Absent Voters in the parish

(a) does not exceed 50, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. per name, with a minimum of 7s. 6d.

(b) exceeds 50, but does not exceed 200, 10s. 6d. for the first 50 names and 2d. for each subsequent name.

each subsequent name. (c) Exceeds 200, £1 15s. 6d. for the first 200 names, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. for each subsequent name.

> James Parker. J. Towyn Jones.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, S.W. 10th September, 1918.

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 section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, has appointed Sergeant Christopher Davis (No. 59253), of the Royal Irish Constabulary, to be an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act.

Whitehall, 10th September, 1918.

Whitehall, 11th September, 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal in Silver to Mr. Cecil Herbert Whiffen and Sirdar Bideshi Kol, also the Edward Medal to the miners, Rupai Kol and Suku Kol, and to the timber carpenters, Jadu Kol and Bhudu Kol, for their gallantry in rescuing on the 3rd March, 1917, two men imprisoned through an accident in the Gorangdih Colliery in India belonging to the Burrakar Coal Company.

Whitehall, 11th September, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to award the Albert Medal to Private George Bennett, of the 12th Lancers in recognition of his gallantry in saving life in France in February last. The circumstances are as follows:—

On the 25th February, 1918, at a railway station in France a woman who was crossing the line in front of a troop train, to reach a passenger train, was caught by the buffer of the engine. Private Bennett, hearing the woman's screams and seeing her position, rushed to help her and pulled her into the six-foot way between the two trains. Unfortunately a basket which the woman was carrying was struck by the troop train and knocked Bennett against the passenger train, with the result that he was badly injured and has suffered the amputation of both his legs. Had it not been for his presence of mind and courage the woman would probably have been killed.

Downing Street, 7th September, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Ivon Llewellyn Owen Gower, Esq. (Solicitor-General) and William McGregor Ross, Esq. (Director of Public Works) to be Official Members of the Legislative Council of the East Africa Protectorate.

Downing Street, 11th September, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Frank Edward Talland, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Gold Coast Colony.

Downing Street, 12th September, 1918.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Ernest Greenwood, Esq. (Solicitor-General, Sierra Leone), to be Attorney-General of Nigeria.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W. 1.

THE TIMBER CONTROL (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 1918, DATED 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1918, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE, PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS 2E, 2F, 2G, AND 2JJ OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

The Board of Trade deeming it expedient to make further exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations as respects timber, hereby order as follows:—

1. Paragraph 15 (a) of the Timber Control Order, 1918, is hereby amended by the addition thereto of the words following:—

The Controller may, from time to time by writing under his hand, vary the amount of timber which may be purchased without a permit within any period, and when any such notice is given Form A in the schedule shall be varied accordingly. Any such variation shall be published in the London, Edinburgh, and Dublin Gazettes.

2. This Order shall be read and construed as one with the Timber Control Order, 1918, and may be cited as The Timber Control (Amendment) Order, 1918.

> H. Llewellyn Smith, A Secretary to the Board of Trade.