

RESIGNATION OF CERTIFICATE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH'S LODGE REFORMATORY SCHOOL AND ISSUE OF CERTIFICATE AS A REFORMATORY SCHOOL TO ST. ELIZABETH'S, WEST DRIVE, QUEEN'S PARK, BRIGHTON.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that the Church Army, who are the Managers of the Queen Elizabeth's Lodge Reformatory School (which includes the Branch Home known as London Cottage, Brighton), have resigned the Certificate granted in respect of the School on the 11th October, 1917, and in place of that Certificate, on the application of the Church Army, the Secretary of State has issued a Certificate that the School carried on at St. Elizabeth's, West Drive, Queen's Park, Brighton, and at the Branch Home known as Murray Vicar's House, Finsbury Road, Brighton, is fit for the reception of girls sent to a Reformatory School in pursuance of the provisions of the Children Act.

The Certificate, which bears date 1st November, 1919, provides that the number of inmates resident on the premises at any one time—whether sent thereto in pursuance of the said provisions or not—shall not exceed sixteen girls in St. Elizabeth's and nineteen girls in Murray Vicar's House.

Whitehall.

9th December, 1919.

*Downing Street,
8th December, 1919.*

The KING has been pleased to approve of the retention of the title of "Honourable" by George Warren Russell, Esq., Arthur Mielzener Myers, Esq., William Donald Stuart McDonald, Esq., and Josiah Alfred Hanan, Esq., who have served for more than three years continuously as Members of the Executive Council of the Dominion of New Zealand.

*Scottish Office, Whitehall,
10th December, 1919.*

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 29th November, to direct a Commission to be passed under the Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, nominating and appointing William Meff, Esquire, to be His Majesty's Lieutenant of the County of the City of Aberdeen during his tenure of the office of Lord Provost of the said City.

*Board of Trade,
Great George Street,
Westminster,
12th December, 1919.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Albert Medal upon Mr. Samuel James Haines, Junior Officer, M.M.R., attached to the Up-River Transport Service.

On the 17th June last a fire occurred on a Russian motor-launch in the Harbour of Archangel, and a Russian tug and a picket boat from an American Man-of-War proceeded

to render assistance, Mr. Haines going in the tug.

Just before the tug reached the launch an explosion took place on board the latter. Immediately the tug got alongside, the crew of the launch abandoned her.

Mr. Haines at once went on board the launch and endeavoured to extinguish the fire, but being unable to do so, he ordered the other boats to lay off, while he went down into the magazine and brought up on deck a quantity of ammunition and a large quantity of gasoline and some rifles. Then calling the picket boat alongside, he passed these stores aboard her.

While Mr. Haines was alone on board the launch, the cabin abaft the engine room and before the magazine took fire.

The fire was ultimately got under, but not before the launch had been gutted.

Mr. Haines displayed great gallantry in rendering the service, for had the fire reached the magazine an explosion would undoubtedly have occurred, and he would have had no chance of saving his life.

**TRADE BOARDS' ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.
FUR TRADE BOARD (GREAT BRITAIN).**

PROPOSAL TO FIX MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES FOR MALE AND FEMALE WORKERS.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, by the Minister of Labour, and dated 31st October, 1918, the Trade Board established in Great Britain under the Trade Boards Act, 1918, for the Fur Trade as specified in the Trade Boards (Fur) Order, 1919, hereby give notice, as required by Section 3 (5) of the Trade Boards Act, 1918, that they propose to fix General Minimum Time Rates and Overtime Rates, and to declare the Normal Number of Hours of Work in the trade for the purpose of the application of the Overtime rates as shown in the Schedule set out below:—

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

Proposed General Minimum Time Rates for Male Workers.

Per Week of 48 Hours. s. d.

Section I.—Furriers:

A. Workers other than Learners:

(1) Workers of 21 years of age and over employed as Cutters who have had not less than 4 years' experience in Cutting ... 80 0

(2) Workers of 21 years of age and over employed as Cutters who have had less than 4 years' experience in Cutting ... 65 0

(3) Workers of 21 years of age and over employed as Nailers .. 60 0

B. Learners as defined in Part IV. of this Schedule:

(1) Learners commencing employment in this branch of the trade under the age of 21 years:

During first year of employment ... 20 0

During second year of employment ... 30 0

During third year of employment ... 40 0

During fourth year of employment ... 45 0