

inafter called "the Order") under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for all or some of the following, among other purposes (that is to say):—

To provide that the Bank, in carrying on the business of banking, for which it was established, shall have power to carry on that business in all or any of its branches and in any part of the world, and to exercise all powers and to carry on all classes of business, as will be more particularly defined in the Order, usually exercised and carried on by bankers, and to do all acts and things usual to be done in the prosecution of the business of banking, or which may conduce or be calculated, directly or indirectly, to render profitable the prosecution of such business, or may be calculated to promote the profitable employment or use of the assets of the Bank, or as may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

To amend section 6 of the Royal Bank of Scotland Act, 1907, and to authorize the Bank to carry on the business of banking either in the United Kingdom or abroad.

To increase or to empower the Bank by its general court to increase the capital of the Bank as may be deemed expedient.

To confer further powers on the Bank or on the court of directors of the Bank in relation to the investment of the funds of the Bank.

To make provision with regard to the number of ordinary and extraordinary directors of the Bank, and the quorum of courts of directors and other matters affecting the directors of the Bank.

To change the title of the principal official of the Bank, and to provide that he shall be eligible for office as a director of the Bank.

To amend section 24 of the Royal Bank of

Scotland Act, 1907, which relates to the appointment of auditors.

To make such other provisions and to confer upon the Bank such other powers, rights, and privileges as are incidental to the purposes and matters hereinbefore referred to or necessary or expedient for giving effect to the objects of the Order, and to vary or extinguish all rights and privileges inconsistent with or which would interfere with the carrying out of those objects and purposes.

So far as may be necessary or expedient for giving effect to the objects and purposes of the Order to repeal or amend the Royal Charter of the Bank, dated the 31st day of May, 1727, and the subsequent Royal Charters, seven in number, amending the first-mentioned Charter, the Royal Bank of Scotland Act, 1873, and the Royal Bank of Scotland Act, 1907, and any other Royal Charter, Act, or Order relating to the Bank.

The petition and draft order and printed copies thereof will be deposited in the office of the Secretary for Scotland, Whitehall, London, on the 17th day of April next.

The subsequent procedure will be by way of Provisional Order, unless it is otherwise decided in terms of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, in which case the procedure may be by way of Private Bill, and this notice will, subject to the Standing Orders of Parliament, apply to such Bill.

Dated this 18th day of March, 1920.

DUNDAS AND WILSON, C.S., 16, St. Andrew-square, Edinburgh, Solicitors for the Order.

GRAHAMES AND Co., 62, Broadway, Westminster, Parliamentary Agents.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

AN ACCOUNT pursuant to the Act 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, for the Week ending on Wednesday, the 24th day of March, 1920.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes issued	£	133,659,920	Government Debt	£	11,015,100
			Other Securities		7,434,900
			Gold Coin and Bullion		115,209,920
			Silver Bullion		—
		<u>£133,659,920</u>			<u>£133,659,920</u>

Dated the 25th day of March, 1920.

E. M. Harvey, Chief Cashier.

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£	14,553,000	Government Securities	£	45,394,854
Rest		3,542,920	Other Securities		91,142,983
Public Deposits (including Exchequer, Savings Banks, Commissioners of National Debt, and Dividend Accounts)		19,763,290	Notes		32,523,275
Other Deposits		131,757,028	Gold and Silver Coin		573,266
Seven Day and other Bills		18,140			
		<u>£169,634,378</u>			<u>£169,634,378</u>

Dated the 25th day of March, 1920.

E. M. Harvey, Chief Cashier.