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TUESDAY, 16 AUGUST, 1921.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 16th day of August, 1921.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Representation of the People Acts, 1918 to 1920, power is conferred upon His Majesty to make provision for various matters by Order in Council:

And whereas by the Representation of the People Order His Majesty was pleased by Order in Council to make provision for various matters under those Acts:

And whereas by section 13 (2) of the Representation of the People Act, 1918 (in this Order referred to as "the Act"), the rules contained in the First Schedule to that Act may be altered by Order in Council:

And whereas by section 40 (2) of the Act, any Order in Council made thereunder may be revoked or varied as occasion requires by any subsequent Order in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon Him by those Acts and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf is pleased, by and with the advice of

His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Rule 40 of the Representation of the People Order shall be amended as follows:—

1. The words "the First Schedule to" shall be inserted after the words "Rule 44 of."
2. The following sub-section shall be inserted at the end thereof:—

"(2) The following paragraph shall be added at the end of sub-section (5) of the said rule 44:

"If it appears to the Local Government Board on the representation of the registration officer that any overseer has neglected or refused to perform any of the duties in connection with registration which he may be required by the registration officer to perform under this rule, the Board may authorise the registration officer to appoint some other person to perform such duties in his stead, and any person so appointed shall, for that purpose, have all the like powers and duties and be entitled to the like payment for services and expenses as if he were the overseer in whose stead he is appointed."

Almeric FitzRoy.