

Air Ministry,
2nd January, 1923.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Wing Commander (actg. Group Capt.)
Ralph Durrant Sadleir STONEY, C.B.E.
(Staff Paymr. & Lt.-Col., R.A.P.C.), relin-
quishes his temporary commission on retire-
ment from the Army, and is granted the
rank of Col., R.A.F. 2nd Jan. 1923.

Squadron Leader Henry Leigh JACKSON,
C.B.E. (Paymr. Lt.-Cdr., R.N.), relin-
quishes his temporary commission on return
to Naval Duty. 1st Jan. 1923.

Flying Officer (hon. Flight Lt.) William
Albert BERRY (Capt., Ret. Pay List, Army)
relinquishes his temporary commission on
ceasing to be employed. 1st Jan. 1923.

The Secretary of State for India in Council
has appointed the Officers named below to
superintend the transfer of Lascars or other
persons at the port of Weymouth from 23rd
December to 31st December, 1922, and to
grant the certificates required under section
125 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57
and 58 Vic., cap. 60).

The fee to be paid for every Lascar or other
person in respect of whom such certificate is
applied for is limited to three shillings, and in
no case is the total amount of fees in respect of
one crew to exceed five pounds:—

A. E. Platt.
Walter Bray.

RAILWAYS ACT, 1921.

RAILWAYS AMALGAMATION TRIBUNAL.

The following preliminary amalgamation
schemes have been approved by the Tribunal
under Section 8 of the Railways Act, 1921:—

1. London and North Western and Lanca-
shire and Yorkshire Railway Companies
Amalgamation Scheme, 1921. Dated Decem-
ber 20, 1921. (2078.)

2. Great Western Railway (Western
Group) Preliminary Amalgamation Scheme,
1922. Dated March 25, 1922. (334.)

3. North Eastern and Hull and Barnsley
Railway Companies Amalgamation Scheme,
1922. Dated April 1, 1922. (393.)

4. Great Western and Barry Railway
Companies Preliminary Amalgamation
Scheme, 1922. Dated May 8, 1922. (545.)

5. North Western, Midland and West
Scottish Group Preliminary Amalgamation
Scheme, 1922. Dated December 30, 1922.

The following amalgamation schemes have
been confirmed by the Tribunal under Section
2 of the said Act:—

1. Railways (Southern Group) Amalgama-
tion Scheme, 1922. Dated December 22,
1922.

2. North Eastern, Eastern and East Scot-
tish Group Amalgamation Scheme, 1922.
Dated December 30, 1922.

The following preliminary absorption
schemes have been approved by the Tribunal
under Section 8 of the said Act:—

1. Great Western Railway (Western
Group) Preliminary Absorption Scheme
(No. 1), 1922. Dated May 9, 1922. (557.)

2. Great Western Railway (Western
Group) Preliminary Absorption Scheme
(No. 2), 1922. Dated July 24, 1922. (883.)

3. London and South Western Railway
(Southern Group) Preliminary Absorption
Scheme, 1922. Dated December 23, 1922.

4. London, Brighton and South Coast
Railway (Southern Group) Preliminary
Absorption Scheme, 1922. Dated December
23, 1922.

5. London and North Western Railway
(North London Railway and Dearne Valley
Railway) Preliminary Absorption Scheme,
1922. Dated December 19, 1922.

6. London and North Western Railway
(Shropshire Union Railways and Canal Com-
pany) Preliminary Absorption Scheme, 1922.
Dated December 29, 1922.

7. Midland Railway Company Prelimi-
nary Absorption Scheme, 1922. Dated De-
cember 29, 1922.

In the above lists, where a number is given in
brackets at the end of the title, the scheme has
been published in the Statutory Rules and
Orders series, and the reference is to the official
number in that series. Copies of these schemes
are obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office.
The schemes without such numbers will be pub-
lished in the same series in due course.

The following further preliminary absorption
schemes have been agreed and referred to the
Tribunal under Section 8 of the said Act for
consideration:—

1. South Eastern Railway (Southern
Group) Preliminary Absorption Scheme,
1922.

2. Great Western Railway (Western
Group) Preliminary Absorption Scheme
(No. 3), 1922.

By virtue of the amalgamation and absorp-
tion schemes approved or confirmed as stated
above, the following Railway Companies have
been constituted:—

Group I (Southern Group). *The Southern
Railway Company*: By the amalgamation of
the following constituent companies, viz.:—
The London and South Western Railway
Company; the London, Brighton and South
Coast Railway Company; the South Eastern
Railway Company; the London, Chatham
and Dover Railway Company; and the South
Eastern and Chatham Railway Companies
Managing Committee:

And by absorption of the following sub-
sidiary companies, viz.:—The Bridgewater
Railway Company; the Hayling Railway
Company; the Isle of Wight Railway Com-
pany; the Isle of Wight Central Railway
Company; the North Cornwall Railway Com-