8. A fee of 10s. will be payable by each candidate admitted to interview by the Selection Board. A further fee of 12s. 6d. (being the balance of the fee of £1 2s. 6d. prescribed for this situation) will be payable on the issue of the certificate of qualification.

Civil Service Commission, May 22, 1923.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that, with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the following clause has been added to the Special Regulations published in the London Gazette of the 29th June, 1920, and in the London Gazette of the 24th February, 1922, respecting Competitive Examinations for appointment to the Clerical Class (Men) of the Civil Service, viz.:—

11. In the case of candidates who, although not qualified in the competitive examination, are recommended for permanent employment by an Investigating Board in accordance with Clause 37 of the Third Interim Report of the Lytton Committee, the Commissioners may accept the Report of that Investigating Board as evidence of knowledge and ability, and may grant a certificate provided they find the candidate to be eligible in other respects.

Civil Service Commission, May 22, 1923.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that, on the application of the Head of the Department, and with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the undermentioned situation has been added to the Schedule appended to the Order in Council of the 22nd July, 1920, namely:—

The situation of Assistant Registrar of Friendly Societies for Scotland.

PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACTS, 1907 and 1919.

Application for Restoration of Lapsed Patent under Section 20.

Notice is hereby given that August Wolfsholz has made application for the restoration of the Patent granted to him for an invention entitled "Improvements in or pertaining to the construction of concrete piles," numbered 29356 of 1923, and bearing date the 20th day of December, 1913, which expired on the 20th day of December, 1922, owing to the non-payment of the prescribed renewal fee.

Any person may give notice of Opposition to the restoration by leaving Patents Form No.

17 at the Patent Office, 25, Southampton Buildings, London, W.C. 2, on or before the 16th day of July, 1923.

W. Temple Franks, Comptroller-General.

PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACTS, 1907 and 1919.

Application for Restoration of Lapsed Patent under Section 20.

Notice is hereby given that The Streatham Engineering Co., Ltd., has made application for the restoration of the Patent granted to Claude Hamerton Rowe for an invention entitled "Improvements relating to the valves of automobile engines and the like," numbered 134363 (18641 of 1918), and bearing date the 14th day of November, 1918, which expired on the 14th day of November, 1922, owing to the non-payment of the prescribed renewal fee.

Any person may give notice of Opposition to the restoration by leaving Patents Form No. 17 at the Patent Office, 25, Southampton Buildings, London, W.C. 2, on or before the 16th day of July, 1923.

W. TEMPLE Franks, Comptroller-General.

GAS REGULATION ACT, 1920.

Notice of Application by the Urban District Council of Oldbury for an Order under Section 1 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

District Council of Oldbury (hereinafter referred to as "the Undertakers") have applied to the Board of Trade under the provisions of Section 1 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, for an Order providing for—

- (a) the repeal of any enactments or other provisions requiring the Undertakers to supply gas of any particular calorific value and the substitution therefor of power to charge for thermal units supplied in the form of gas; and
- (b) the modification of the statutory or other provisions affecting the charges which may be made by the Undertakers by substituting for the maximum price per 1,000 cubic feet now authorised, with an addition to meet increases in the costs and charges of and incidental to the production and supply of gas by the Undertakers since the 30th June, 1914, a maximum price per therm (i.e., 100,000 British Thermal Units).

The maximum price now authorised in respect of the supply of gas by the Undertakers is four shillings per 1,000 cubic feet, and the price which the Undertakers have asked the Board of Trade to substitute for this price in accordance with paragraph (b) above is one shilling and three pence per therm.

A copy of the Application made to the