

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an order authorising the employment of two day shifts of women of 18 years of age and over in cutting glue on cooling tables, placing on drying racks and conveying to drying rooms at the works of Messrs. Meggitts Limited, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, subject to the conditions that a woman shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation shall be provided.

Whitehall,  
8th January, 1925.

Scottish Office,  
Whitehall, S.W. 1,  
7th January, 1925.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 2nd instant, to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, granting a Supplemental Charter to the Commercial Bank of Scotland, Limited.

Board of Trade,  
Great George Street,  
London, S.W. 1.

#### GAS REGULATION ACT, 1920.

Notice by the Board of Trade of Application by the London County Council for an Amending Order under Sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, in respect of the Wandsworth, Wimbledon and Epsom District Gas Company.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice, that the London County Council having made application under Sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the above Act for an Amending Order revising the powers of charging authorised by the Wandsworth, Wimbledon and Epsom District Gas (Charges) Order, 1921, the standard prices which the Board of Trade propose to authorise in lieu of the existing standard prices of 16.6 pence per therm and 14.6 pence per therm are 14 pence per therm and 12 pence per therm respectively.

Any person affected desiring to make representations with regard to the application may do so by letter addressed to the Director of Gas Administration, Board of Trade, Great George Street, S.W. 1, not later than the 23rd January, 1925.

A copy of such representations must at the same time be sent to the Clerk to the London County Council, and to the Secretary, Wandsworth, Wimbledon and Epsom District Gas Company.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1925.

Percy Ashley,  
An Assistant Secretary to the  
Board of Trade.

Admiralty, 5th January, 1925.

R.N.

Sub-Lieut. H. F. Lawson to be Lieut. 15th Oct. 1923.

R.N.R.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration to the following Officers:—

Lieut.-Comdr. J. C. Townley.  
Lieut.-Comdr. E. R. Pitt.  
Lieut.-Comdr. A. G. Dixon.

Lieuts. (ret'd.) to be Lieut.-Comdrs. (ret'd.):—

R. Bryce.  
C. J. Walker, D.S.C.  
J. C. Murray.

22nd Dec. 1924.

Admiralty, 6th January, 1925.

R.N.

Lieut. C. E. Bryant placed on Retd. List. 4th Jan. 1925.

Sub-Lieut. J. G. Hewitt to be Lieut. 15th June 1924.

Vice-Admiral Sir John F. E. Green, K.C.M.G., C.B., has been placed on the Retd. List at his own request. 1st Jan. 1925.

Consequent thereon the following promotions have been made from the same date:—

Rear-Admiral D. L. Dent, C.B., C.M.G., to be Vice-Admiral in His Majesty's Fleet.  
Captain H. W. Parker, C.B., C.M.G., A.D.C., to be Rear-Admiral in His Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the foregoing, the following promotions on the Retd. List take place from the same date:—

Rear-Admirals—

H. Blackett,  
H. W. Grant, C.B.,  
Sir Charles M. de Bartolomé, K.C.M.G.,  
C.B.,  
S. S. Hall, C.B.,  
J. E. Drummond,  
H. B. T. Somerville, C.M.G.,  
J. C. Tancred,

to be Vice-Admirals.

Captains—

T. P. H. Beamish, C.B., M.P.,  
G. P. Ross, C.B.,

to be Rear-Admirals.

R.N.R.

Proby. Lieut. Francis Poole to be Lieut. 31st Dec. 1923.

Admiralty, 7th January, 1925.

R.N.

Engr.-Comdr. R. A. C. Michell placed on Retd. List at own request. 6th Jan. 1925.

R.N.R.

Pay Lieut. (Registrar Class) S. G. Farrell to be Pay Lieut.-Comdr. (Registrar Class). 22nd Dec. 1924.

Payr. Sub-Lieut. (Registrar Class) C. Webb to be Payr. Lieut. (Registrar Class). 18th Dec. 1924.