

auxiliary forces, if satisfied that their service is urgently required for ensuring preparedness for the defence of the realm against any external danger, and to give directions as to the calling out for service under that Act of persons authorised by the Order to be called out, and for the termination of such service as the occasion may require, and to vary or revoke any such directions; and it is further enacted that the expression "His Majesty's reserve and auxiliary forces" includes persons who have served as officers in the regular air force and are under any liability to be called out for service:

And whereas His Majesty in pursuance of Section 6 of the Regency Act, 1937, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 5th day of May, 1939, to delegate and grant unto Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, C.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., and Her Royal Highness Princess Arthur of Connaught, or any two of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of His Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

Now therefore His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and Her Royal Highness Princess Arthur of Connaught, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent do hereby, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, on His Majesty's behalf order as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Air Force) Order 1939.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies for the purpose of the interpretation of this Order in like manner as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall cease to have effect on the 31st day of May, 1940.

2. The Secretary of State for Air is hereby authorised to call out for service all or any of the members of His Majesty's reserve and auxiliary forces, hereinafter specified, namely, members of the auxiliary air force, the air force reserve, and the reserve of air force officers, and persons who have served as officers in the regular air force and are under any liability to be called out for service, if satisfied that their service is urgently required for ensuring preparedness for the defence of the realm against any external danger, and the Secretary of State is hereby further authorised to give directions as to the calling out for service under the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939, of persons authorised by this Order to be called out, and for the termination of such service as the occasion may require, and to vary or revoke any such directions.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court of *Saint James*, the 25th day of *May*, 1939.

PRESENT,

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF KENT.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS ROYAL.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT.

Lord President.

Lord Macmillan.

Lord Chatfield.

Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

WHEREAS His Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Act, 1937, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 5th day of May, 1939, to delegate and grant unto Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, C.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., and Her Royal Highness Princess Arthur of Connaught, or any two of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of His Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the 6th and 7th years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, Chapter 77, and of the Act of the 5th and 6th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 26, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 27th day of April, 1939, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

" We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the 6th and 7th years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, Chapter 77, and of the Act of the 5th and 6th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 26, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for authorising certain improvements at the Episcopal House of Residence belonging to the See of Durham which is known as Auckland Castle:

" Whereas the Right Reverend Alwyn Terrell Pêtre, Bishop of Durham, is desirous that certain improvements should be made at the said Episcopal House of Residence and has submitted to us the particulars of such improvements and we have specified our general approval of the same:

" And whereas the said Bishop is also desirous and it appears to us to be expedient that towards the cost of effecting the aforesaid improvements a sum of £2,400 (being a sum which together with the outstanding balance of the sum already borrowed under the authority of the statutes hereinbefore mentioned for effecting improvements at the said Episcopal House