

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby announce that They have made an Order under Section 20 of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1940, entitled the Purchase Tax (Exemptions) (No. 2) Order, 1945, directing that as from 20th October, 1945, Purchase Tax shall cease to be chargeable in respect of certain essential drugs of an exceptionally costly character.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders, 1945, No. 1263, and may be purchased, price 1d. net, direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 15th ultimo, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon Admiral of the Fleet Sir Andrew Browne Cunningham, Baronet, K.T., G.C.B., D.S.O., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of **BARON CUNNINGHAM OF HYNDHOPE**, of Kirkhope in the County of Selkirk.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 17th ultimo, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Charles Frederick Algernon Portal, G.C.B., D.S.O., M.C., by the name, style and title of **BARON PORTAL OF HUNGERFORD**, of Hungerford in the County of Berks and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten; and in default of such issue with remainder to his eldest daughter Rosemary Ann Portal by the name, style and title of **BARONESS PORTAL OF HUNGERFORD**, of Hungerford in the County of Berks and the heirs male of her body lawfully begotten; and in default of such issue to every other daughter lawfully begotten of the said Sir Charles Frederick Algernon Portal successively in order of seniority of age and priority of birth and to the heirs male of their bodies lawfully begotten.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 19th ultimo, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon Sir William Henry Davison, K.B.E., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of **BARON BROUGHSHANE**, of Kensington in the County of London.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 12th instant, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon the Honourable Francis Aungier Pakenham, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of **BARON PAKENHAM**, of Cowley in the City of Oxford.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 5th instant, to appoint Charles, Baron Latham, to be His Majesty's Lieutenant of and in the County of Middlesex, in the room of George, Baron Rochdale, C.B., deceased.

Whitehall, October 12, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 6th instant, to appoint Norman John Skelhorn, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Recorder of the Borough of Bridgwater.

Downing Street, 17th August, 1945.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Major Ferdinand William Cavendish-Bentinck, C.M.G., and Ernest Rex Edward SurrIDGE, Esq., to be Official Members of the Executive Council of the Colony of Kenya.

Downing Street, 28th September, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by a Commission under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the 28th September, 1945, to appoint James Scott Neill, Esquire, C.M.G., to be a Member of the Commission of Government of the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, in succession to Sir George Ernest London, Kt., C.M.G.

Downing Street, 28th September, 1945.

The KING has been pleased, by a Commission under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the 28th September, 1945, to appoint William Henry Flinn, Esquire, C.M.G., O.B.E., to be a Member of the Commission of Government of the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, in succession to Peter Douglas Hay Dunn, Esquire, O.B.E.

Downing Street, 5th October, 1945.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Shams-Ud-Deen, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council of the Colony of Kenya.

Board of Trade, Millbank, London, S.W.1.

9th October, 1945.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice that they have made Orders which have been published as S.R. & O. 1945, price 1d. except where indicated:—

No. 1092—The Utility Apparel (Infants' and Girls' Wear) (Consolidation) Directions, 1945, dated September 21, 1945 (price 2d.).

No. 1124—The Utility Apparel (Women's and Maids' Outerwear) (No. 4) Directions, 1945, dated September 18, 1945.

No. 1147—The Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) (No. 5) Order, 1945, dated September 13, 1945.

No. 1165—General Licence, dated September 24, 1945, authorising correspondence with Siam.

No. 1175—The Hollow-ware and Kitchen Hardware (Control of Manufacture and Supply) (No. 6) Order, 1945, dated September 25, 1945.

No. 1176—The Miscellaneous Goods (Prohibition of Manufacture and Supply) (No. 7) Order, 1945, dated September 25, 1945 (price 2d.).

No. 1198—General Licence dated September 28, 1945, authorising correspondence with Hungary.

These Orders can be purchased through any bookseller, agents or direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast.

Admiralty, Bath, 3rd October, 1945.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all Persons interested therein, that the distribution of an award for the salvage of the m.v. "Fishpool" during 17th to the 24th November, 1940, by His Majesty's Rescue Tug "Assurance" will commence on Saturday the 13th October, 1945, in the Prize Branch of the Directorate of Navy Accounts, Admiralty.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not now serving, should be addressed to the Director of Navy Accounts (D.N.A.3.A), Admiralty, Bath. Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by Certificates of Service.

The following are the amounts due to individuals in the various classes:—

	£	s.	d.
5th Class	262	11	2
6th Class	196	18	5
7th Class	157	10	8
8th Class	131	5	7
9th Class	105	0	6
10th Class	78	15	5
11th Class	65	12	10
12th Class	39	7	9

Admiralty, Bath, 3rd October, 1945.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all Persons interested therein, that the distribution of an award for the salvage of s.s. "Josefina Thorden" during the period from the 19th May to the 3rd June, 1941, by His Majesty's Ships "Northern Chief" and "Northern Sun" will commence on Saturday, the 13th October, 1945, in