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By virtue of an Act passed in the 24th year of the Reign of His Majesty King George III, intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts made in the 10th. and 15th years of the Reign of His present Majesty, as authorizes The Speaker of the House of Common to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out Writs for the Election of Members to serve in Parliament in the manner therein mentioned, and for substituting other provisions for the like purposes;" And of an Act passed in the 26th year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria intituled "An Act to further limit and define the time for proceeding to Election during the Recess."

I do hereby give Notice, That the Death of Campbell Stephen, Esquire, late a Member serving in this present Parliament for the Burgh of Glasgow, Camlachie Division, hath been certified to me in writing under the Hands of Two Members serving in this present Parliament and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a New Writ for the Electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Division, at the end of six days after the insertion of this Notice in the London Gazette.

Given under my hand this 6th day of January, 1948.

D. Clifton Brown, Speaker.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have been pleased to appoint certain persons as Public Auditors for Great Britain for the year ending the 31st December, 1948, under the provisions of the Friendly Societies Act, 1896 (59 and 60 Vict. Cap. 25) and the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893 (56 and 57 Vict. Cap. 39). A list of the persons appointed can be seen at the offices of the Registrar of Friendly Societies, 17, North Audley Street, London, W.1, and at the office of the Assistant Registrar of Friendly Societies for Scotland at 19, Heriot Row, Edinburgh.

Foreign Office, 31st December, 1947.

The KING has been graciously pleased to grant to the undermentioned officers of the Merchant Navy permission to wear without restriction the decorations respectively indicated, which have been conferred upon them by His Royal Highness the Prince Regent of Belgium in recognition of services during the war:—

Officer of the Order of Leopold II with Palm and Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm.

Captain William Findlay Anderson, Master, s.s. "Justin Doane".

Captain Robert Lindsay Barr, Master, s.s. "Fort Catarqui".

Chevalier of the Order of Leopold with Palm and Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm.

Captain Robert William Blair, Master, s.s. "Voco".

Captain William Homer Dugdale, Master, s.s. "Benjamin Sherburn".

Captain Marshall Ernest Friskney, Master, s.s. "Empire Unity".

Captain Arthur Macintyre, Master, s.s. "Sambalt".

Captain Charles Gordon Mallett, Master, s.s. "Fort Steele".

Captain Townson Ridley, Master, s.s. "Auretta".

Chevalier of the Order of Leopold II with Palm and Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm.

Mr. John Frederick Gilbert, Chief Engineer Officer, s.s. "Sampep".

Mr. Daniel Nichol Peters Raine, Chief Engineer Officer, m.v. "Empire General".

Mr. Charles Percy Smith, Chief Engineer Officer, s.s. "Cape Howe".

Captain Alexander Hyndman Fletcher, Master, s.s. "Jargoan".

Captain Robert Richard Francis, Master, s.s. "Birker Force".

Captain William Inglis, Master, s.s. "Arbroath".

Captain Raleigh Ward Leeks, Master, s.s. "Ipswich Trader".

Captain Alan Studholme, Master, s.s. "British Coast".

Captain Joseph Frederick Terretta, Master, s.s. "Weston".

Mr. Georgie William Bishop, Chief Officer, s.s. "Zelo".

Mr. Sydney James Evans, Chief Officer, s.s. "Samos".

Mr. Robert Henry Dixon Stephenson, Chief Officer, s.s. "Empire Seaman".

Whitehall, 6th January, 1948.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 1st instant, to appoint Sydney Scholefield Allen, Esq., K.C., to be Recorder of the Borough of Blackburn.

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

2nd January, 1948.

The Board of Trade have appointed Mr. Thomas Brunyee Harston, Official Receiver for the Bankruptcy Districts of the County Court at Carlisle, Workington and Whitehaven, to be also Official Receiver, as from 1st January, 1948, for the Bankruptcy Districts of the County Courts at Barrow and Kendal in succession to Mr. W. G. Pearson, retired.