PROCEEDINGS BEFORE BRITISH PRIZE COURTS OVERSEA.

In continuation of the notification on page 2990 of the London Gazette of the 8th March, 1918, information has been received that the proceedings instituted in the Prize Court in Sierra Leone in respect of the vessel "Twee Ambt," and the cargo laden therein, have been transferred to the Prize Court in the United Kingdom.

Colonial Office, 3rd June, 1918.

> Scottish Office, Whitehall, June 1, 1918.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 30th ultimo, to appoint Gerard Lake Crole, Esquire, K.C., to be Sheriff of the Sheriffdom of the Lothians and Peebles, in the room of Charles Cornelius Maconochie, Esquire, K.C., resigned.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACTS, 1896 AND 1912.

CORPORATION LIGHT RAILWAYS SWANSEA (EXTENSIONS) (REVIVAL AND EXTENSION OF TIME) ORDER, 1918.

The Light Railway Commissioners have submitted to the Board of Trade for confirmation, under the above-mentioned Acts, an Order made by them reviving the powers granted and extending the period limited by the Swansea Corporation Light Railways (Extensions) Order, 1914, for the compulsory purchase of the lands required for the purposes of Rail-ways (No. 1) and (No. 3) authorised by the said Order.

Any objections to the confirmation of the Order should be addressed to the Assistant Secretary (Railway Department), Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1, and must be lodged with the Board on or before

the 25th June, 1918. These should be accompanied by copies of any clauses or amendments that may be desired to remove the objections, and copies of such objections and clauses or amendments should at the same time be sent to the Promoter's Agents named below.

Copies of the Order as submitted for confirmation may be obtained on payment of not exceeding one shilling per copy from Messrs. Sherwood and Company, 22, Abingdon Street, Westminster, S W. 1. Board of Trade,

7, Whitehall Gardens. London, S.W. 1. 31st May, 1918.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM.

THROUGH RATES (GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND) No 2 Order, 1918, dated June 1st, 1918, made by the Board of Trade under Regu-LATION 7BB OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

In pursuance of their powers under Regulations 7BB of the Defence of the Realm Regulations and of all other powers enabling them. in that behalf, the Board of Trade hereby order as follows.

1. The Charges at present in force for carrying merchandise between Great Britain and Ireland may be increased by amounts not exceeding those specified in the Schedule to this Order.

2. The increased charges authorised by this Order shall be in addition to those authorised by the Through Rates (Great Britain and Ireland) Orders, 1917 and 1918, and shall be allocated to the sea portion of the journey.

3. This Order shall come into force on the 1st day of July, 1918.

4. This Order may be cited as the Through Rates (Great Britain and Ireland) No. 2 Order, 1918.

SCHEDULE.

Increased charges for carrying merchandise between Great Britain and Ireland.

| | Per head. |
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| On cattle and calves . | 3s. 9d. |
| On pigs, sheep and goats | 1s. 6d |
| On lambs and other small animals | 0s. 9d. |

A. H. Stanley, President of the Board of Trade

TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

SUGAR CONFECTIONERY AND FOOD PRESERVING TRADE BOARD (Great Britain).

PROPOSAL TO VARY CERTAIN MINIMUM RATES. OF WAGES FIXED FOR FEMALE WORKERS IN THE SUGAR CONFECTIONERY AND FOOD PRE-SERVING TRADE IN GREAT BRITAIN.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the above Act by the Board of Trade, and dated the 27th April, 1910, the Trade Board established under the above Act and the Trade Boards Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1913, for certain branches of the Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Trade in Great Britain as defined in the Regulations made by the Board of Trade and dated the 23rd December, 1913, hereby give notice as required by Section 4 of the above Act, that they propose to vary the following minimum-time rates of wages for female workers at present fixed and set out in Schedule I of their Notice dated 6th October, 1917, as follows :-

FEMALE WORKERS.

1. For Female Workers of 18 years of age and upwards (and others to whose employ-ment the minimum rate of 19s. 6d. per week is applicable under the terms of Section 1 of Schedule I of the Notice issued by the Trade Board dated the 6th October, 1917) from 19s. 6d. to 21s. 8d. per week.

2. For Female Workers of 18 years of age and upwards who have been employed in the trade for an aggregate period of less than 12 months and cannot suitably be engaged on piecework, and to whom the Trade Board shall have issued a certificate on the ground that the employment is not merely temporary or seasonal, from 17s. 6d to 19s. 6d. per week.

3. For Female Workers of 17 and under 18 years of age, from 16s. to 18s. per week.

4. For Female Workers of 16 and under 17 years of age, from 13s. to 14s. 6d. per week.