Whitehall, December 10, 1940.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Reginald Worth Pearce, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of Chevalier of the Order of the Dannebrog, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of Denmark and Iceland, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him in the capacity of honorary Consul of Denmark at Kobe.

Whitehall, December 10, 1940.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Andrew Park Mitchell, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Second Class of the Order of El Istiqlal, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Highness the Amir of Trans-Jordan, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him in the capacity of Director of Lands, Surveys and Forests in Trans-Jordan.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS ACT,

THE BRYN ESTYN SCHOOL, NEAR WREXHAM, DENBIGH.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that he has approved the Bryn Estyn School, near Wrexham, Denbigh, for the education and training of boys sent there in pursuance of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, or otherwise. The Certificate of Approval bears date the 15th November, 1940.

Home Office, Whitehall, 11th December, 1940.

Downing Street, 28th November, 1940.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Colonial Police Medal to undermentioned officers of Colonial Police Forces:

For Gallantry.

Henry Michael Lawder Wilkinson, Assistant Superintendent, Northern Rhodesia Police Force.

Galhenage Sarnelis Perera, Sergeant, Ceylon Police Force.

Scottish Home Department, St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh I, 5th December, 1940.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 30th November, to direct a Commission to be passed under the Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, nominating and appointing Garnet Wilson, Esquire, Lord Provost of the City of Dundee, to be His Majesty's Lieutenant of the County of the said City.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT, 1939, AND DEFENCE (TRADING WITH THE ENEMY) REGULATIONS, 1940.

An Order has been made by the Board of Trade requiring the undermentioned business to be wound up:

H. E. Muller Limited, 10, Arthur Street, London, E.C.4. Controller:—Owen Walker, F.S.A.A., 103, Cannon Street, London, E.C.4. 13th December, 1940.

Commissions signed by Colonel the Right Honourable the Earl of Derby, K.G., P.C., G.C.B., G.C.V.O., J.P., the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Lancaster.

William James Garnett, Esq., J.P., Quernmore Park, Lancaster. Ernest Hamer, Esq., J.P., Sandhurst, Pleasington, near Blackburn, to be Deputy Lieutenants.—Dated this eleventh day of December, 1940.

Air Ministry, 17th December, 1940.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointment and awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:

Appointed a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

Pilot Officer Eric Stanley Lock, D.F.C. (81642). Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 41 Squadron.

This officer has shown exceptional keenness and courage in his attacks against the enemy. In November, 1940, whilst engaged with his squadron in attacking a superior number of enemy forces, he destroyed two Messerschmitt 109's, thus bringing his total to at least twenty-two. His magnificent fighting spirit and personal example have been in the highest traditions of the service..

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader Duncan Stuart

MacDonald (37451). No. 213 Squadron. Since September, 1940, this officer has participated in eighty-one missions against the enemy. His excellent leadership and skill have contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of his squadron. He has destroyed at least three enemy aircraft.

Flying Officer Peter James Simpson (41875). No. 111 Squadron.

This officer has taken part in numerous engagements against the enemy over a long and intensive period of operations both in France and in England. He has shown exceptional keenness and skill and has destroyed at least five hostile aircraft.

Awarded a Bar to the Distinguished Flying Medal.

802602, Sergeant Andrew McDowall, D.F.M. Auxiliary Air Force, No. 602 Squadron.

Sergeant McDowall has shown outstanding ability as a fighter pilot. He has destroyed at least fourteen enemy aircraft, and his leadership and courage have been of the highest order.