Whitehall, July 22, 1941.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 16th instant, to confer the dignity of a Viscounty of the United Kingdom upon the Right Honourable Richard Bedford Bennett, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of VISCOUNT BENNETT, of Mickleham in the County of Surrey and of Calgary and Hopewell in the Dominion of Canada.

Whitehall, July 22, 1941.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 16th instant, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon The Right Honourable Sir Wilfrid Arthur Greene, O.B.E., Keeper or Master of the Rolls and Records of the Chancery of England, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of BARON GREENE, of Holmbury St. Mary in the County of Surrey.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACTS, -1880 то 1939.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that on the 10th instant he made an Order under the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1939, in respect of the Administrative County of Wilts.

Copies of the Order may be purchased directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; and 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; or through any bookseller.

Whitehall.

22nd July, 1941.

Factory Department, Ministry of Labour and National Service.

18th July, 1941.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. L. M. Smith to be Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the Eastbourne District of the County of Sussex.

Factory Department, Ministry of Labour and National Service.

18th July, 1941.

Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. D. H. A. Galbraith to be Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the Launceston District of the County of Cornwall.

Downing Street, 3rd July, 1941.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Claud Ramsay Wilmot Seton, Esq., Puisne Judge, Jamaica, to be the Chief Justice of Nyasaland.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE BRITISH PRIZE COURTS OVERSEA.

In continuation of the notification on page 4120 of the London Gazette of July 18th, 1941, information has been received that proceedings have been instituted in the Prize Court named below in respect of the ship specified.

Appearances by persons claiming an interest in the ship or goods laden therein should be entered within thirty days from the date mentioned in the third column of the Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Prize Court. Name of Ship. Date of Writ. Supreme Court Ville de July 16th, 1941 of the Colony **Tamatave** of Sierra Leone

Colonial Office,

21st July, 1941.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty hereby give notice that they have made an Order entitled-

" The Llanelly Pilotage (Emergency) Order, 1941 " (Statutory Rule and Order No. 1030 of 1941).

Admiralty, S.W.1. 18th July, 1941.

> Air Ministry, 22nd July, 1941.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned officer in recognition of most conspicuous bravery:-

Wing Acting Commander Hughie Idwal Edwards, D.F.C. (39005), No. Squadron.

Wing Commander Edwards, although handicapped by a physical disability result-ing from a flying accident, has repeatedly displayed gallantry of the highest order in pressing home bombing attacks from very low heights against strongly defended objectives.

On 4th July, 1941, he led an important attack on the Port of Bremen, one of the most heavily defended towns in Germany. This attack had to be made in daylight and there were no clouds to afford concealment. During the approach to the German coast several enemy ships were sighted and Wing Commander Edwards knew that his aircraft would be reported and that the defences would be in a state of readiness. Undaunted by this misfortune he brought his formation 50 miles overland to the target, flying at a height of little more than 50 feet, passing under high-tension cables, carrying away telegraph wires and finally passing through a formidable balloon barrage. On reaching Bremen he was met with a hail of fire, all his aircraft being hit and four of them being Nevertheless he made a most destroyed. successful attack, and then with the greatest