The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters. CONVEYANCE. Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland constituting and appointing the Right Honourable George Francis Hamilton (commonly called Lord George Francis Hamilton); Admiral Sir Richard Vesey Hamilton, K.C.B.; Rear-Admiral Henry Fairfax, C.B.; Rear-Admiral John Ommanney Hopkins; Captain Frederick George Denham Bedford, C.B.; and Ellis Ashmead Bartlett, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereunto belonging.

WHITEHALL, December 16, 1889.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for presenting the Reverend James Charles Stewart Mathias to the Rectory of Theberton, in the County of Suffolk, and Diocese of Norwich, void by the resignation of the Reverend George Watson, B.A., the last Incumbent.

(SWINE FEVER.)

By the Board of Agriculture.

The Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, and The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1886, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :--

- 1. The Area described in the Schedule to this Order is hereby declared to be an Area infected with swine fever.
- 2. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the sixteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their Official Seal this fourteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.



G. A. LEACH, Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

An Area in the Burgh of Edinburgh, com-prised within the following boundaries, that is to say, the road leading from Dalry, Edinburgh, to Gorgie towards the south, the Edinburgh Suburban Railway towards the west and north, and the Granton Branch of the Caledonian Railway towards the east.

WHITEHALL, December 16, 1889. The PACKING OF GUNPOWDER FOR

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EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875 (38 Vict. cap. 17).

OTICE is hereby given that, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, the Secretary of State for the Home Department proposes, as set forth below by Order, to amend the General Rules contained in the 33rd Section of the said Act relating to the Packing of Gunpowder.

Any Local Authority, as defined by the said Act, and any Corporation or Person interested who may be desirous to offer for the consideration of the Secretary of State any objections or suggestion with regard to the proposed Amendment of the said General Rules, should forward the same to the Home Office, Whitehall, not later than the 15th January 1890.

Whitehall, 16th December 1889.

ORDER OF SECRETARY OF STATE, No. 3(b).

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875 (38 Vict. cap. 17).

WHEREAS by Part I. (Section 33) of the Explosives Act, 1875, General Rules are set forth to be observed with respect to the packing of Gunpowder for conveyance;

And whereas by the said Section 33, it is enacted that the Secretary of State may, from time to time, make, and when made, repeal, alter, and add to, rules for the purpose of rescinding, altering, or adding to the General Rules contained in this Section, and the rules so made by the Secretary of State shall have the same effect as if they were enacted in this Section.

Now, therefore, in the exercise of the powers aforesaid, I, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, hereby order as follows :-

Notwithstanding anything in the General Rules in the said Section 33 contained, it shall be lawful to enclose the outer package of any double package containing Gunpowder in an external bag or covering of such material and subject to such conditions as may from time to time be approved by a Government Inspector, provided-

- (a) That all the requirements of the said General Rules which apply to double packages of Gunpowder shall apply to the double packages enclosed in such external bag or covering;
- (b) That there shall be contained in each such external bag or covering no article or substance other than one double package containing Gunpowder as aforesaid;
- (c) That there shall be affixed on the outside of such external bag or covering, in conspicuous characters, by means of a brand, or securely attached label, or other mark, in addition to the word 'Gunpowder,' such distinguishing marks (if any) as may be directed by a Government Inspector.