day of October 1903 shall be revoked, and the interests; and all questions of adjustment consame is hereby revoked accordingly.

J. C. LEDLIE.

Local Government (Scotland) Acts. ALTERATION OF PARISH AREAS. FINAL ORDER No. XLVI.

PARISHES OF NEWBATTLE AND COCKPEN.

THEREAS it has been jointly represented to me by the Parish Councils of the Parishes of Newbattle and Cockpen that I should issue an Order under section 51 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and section 46 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, altering the joint boundary of the said Parishes so far as it passes through (1) part of a row of houses known as 190 to 199 Monkswood; and (2) two houses known as 7 and 8 Saugh's Cottages, all situate within the village of Newton Grange;

And whereas, after consulting with the authorities concerned, I am of opinion that it is expedient to give effect to the said representation: and whereas I caused the proposed Order to be published in the Edinburgh Gazette of the

25th August 1911.

Now therefore I, the Right Honourable John, Baron Pentland, His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, do, in virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, order as follows:-

- 1. The eastern side of the public road from Edinburgh to Galashiels, passing through the Parish of Newbattle, shall hereafter form the boundary line between the Parish of Newbattle and the Parish of Cockpen from the point where the existing boundary line intersects the said public road (as shown on the Ordnance Survey Sheet, Edinburghshire, VIII, 15, Edition of 1907) to a point one thousand three hundred and ten feet southward thereof, where it again meets the said public road; and that part of the Parish of Cockpen which lies between the existing boundary line of the said Parishes and the said public road between the said points shall cease to be part of the Parish of Cockpen, and
- shall form part of the Parish of Newbattle.

 2. The Parish Council of Newbattle shall assume responsibility for, and shall relieve the Parish Council of Cockpen of all advances which the latter body may be called upon to make for or on account of any pauper whose claim is derived (1) from birth in the portion of the Parish of Cockpen transferred to the Parish of Newbattle by the operation of this Order prior to the fifteenth day of May 1912; or (2) from residence for the statutory period in the said portion of the Parish of Cockpen prior to the fifteenth day of May 1912.
- 3. The portion of the Parish of Cockpen by this Order transferred to the Parish of Newbattle shall cease to be part of the County Council Electoral Division of Cockpen and shall form part of the County Council Electoral Division of Newbattle.
- 4. Nothing herein contained shall affect the

sequent on the alteration of boundaries hereby made are expressly reserved.

5. This Order shall take effect on the fifteenth day of May 1912.

Given under my hand and seal at Whitehall, this seventh day of October 1911.

PENTLAND. (Sd.) His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

FOREIGN OFFICE, September 12, 1911.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint-

Sir Arthur Henry Hardinge, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Portuguese Republic; and

The Honourable Sir Francis Hyde Villiers, G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., C.B., to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

FOREIGN OFFICE, October 9, 1911.

It is hereby notified that on the 3rd instant His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs received from Seijor Doctor Don Francisco de Arce his Letter of Recall, and from Señor Don José María Lardizábal his Letter of Credence, as Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Guatemala.

FOREIGN OFFICE, October 9, 1911.

With reference to the notification which appeared in the London Gazette of the 6th instant, His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received, through His Majesty's Ambassador at Rome, a Declaration from the Italian Government with respect to Contraband of War, of which the following is a translation:-

Rome, October 4th, 1911.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has the honour to notify that, having regard to the state of war existing between Italy and Turkey, the following articles will be considered by Italy as Contraband of War in accordance with the provisions of the Mercantile Marine Code of the

Kingdom:— Cannon, rifles, carbines, revolvers, pistols, swords and other weapons, whether firearms or sidearms, munitions of war, military equipment of every species, and generally everything which without manipulation can be put to immediate use in connection with land or maritime warfare.

The Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs at the same time notifies that, since the Ottoman Government have taken no steps with a view to exempting Italian merchant vessels from capture, rights of creditors or of persons having vested but, on the contrary, have committed acts of