

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, May 30, 1913.

This day had Audience of the King—

His Excellency the Honourable Walter Hines Page, to present his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America ; and

Señor Don Wenceslao de la Guardia, to present his Letters of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Costa Rica.

#### DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS,

1894 to 1911.

RETURN of OUTBREAKS of the under-mentioned DISEASES in SCOTLAND for the Week ended 31st May 1913, distinguishing Counties (including Burghs) :—

##### ANTHRAX.

COUNTY.	Outbreaks Confirmed.	Animals Attacked.			
		Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.	Horses.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Aberdeen ... ..	2	2	—	—	—
Forfar ... ..	1	1	—	—	—
Lanark ... ..	1	1	—	—	—
Ross and Cromarty	1	1	—	—	—
<b>TOTAL</b> ... ..	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

##### SHEEP SCAB.

COUNTY.	Outbreaks Reported.
	No.
Lanark ... ..	1
<b>TOTAL</b> ... ..	<b>1</b>

##### PARASITIC MANGE.

COUNTY.	Outbreaks Reported.	Animals Attacked.
	No.	No.
Renfrew ... ..	1	6
<b>TOTAL</b> ... ..	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>

RETURN of OUTBREAKS of SWINE FEVER in SCOTLAND for the Week ended

31st May 1913, distinguishing Counties (including Burghs) :—

COUNTY	Outbreaks Confirmed.	Swine Slaughtered as Diseased or as having been Exposed to Infection.
	No.	No.
Dumfries ... ..	1	88
Lanark ... ..	1	1
City of Edinburgh	—	81
Wigtown ... ..	—	20
<b>TOTAL</b> ... ..	<b>2</b>	<b>190</b>

The following Area is now an "Infected Area" for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order of 1908 :—

*Midlothian.*—An area comprising the Parishes of Cramond and Corstorphine, and such parts of the Parishes of Colinton and Currie as lie to the north and west of the Caledonian Railway line running from Edinburgh to Kirknewton via Colinton and Currie, in the County of Midlothian ; and also comprising such portion of the County of the City of Edinburgh as lies to the west of the aforementioned railway line from the point where it crosses the City boundary near Slateford Church to Princes Street Station, and of Queensferry Street, Dean Bridge, Clarendon Crescent, Dean Park Crescent, Comely Bank Avenue, East Fettes Avenue, Ferry Road, and the eastern boundary fence of Wardieburn House (5th May 1913).

The following Areas are now "Scheduled Areas" for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order of 1908 :—

*Aberdeenshire, &c.*—An Area comprising the Counties of Aberdeen, Argyll, Banff, Bute, Caithness, Clackmannan, Elgin, Fife, Forfar, Inverness, Kincardine, Kinross, Nairn, Orkney, Perth, Ross and Cromarty, Stirling, Sutherland, and Zetland, and the detached part of the County of Dumfries ; the Cities of Aberdeen, Dundee, and Perth ; and the Burghs of Peterhead, Campbeltown, Elgin, Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy, Arbroath, Brechin, Forfar, Montrose, Inverness, Falkirk, and Stirling (1st October 1911).—See also under *Dumfries and Galloway, &c.*

*Argyllshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Ayrshire.*—An Area comprising the County of Ayr, and the Burghs of Ayr, Irvine, and Kilmarnock (1st October 1911).

*Banffshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Berwickshire, &c.*—An Area comprising the Counties of Berwick, Roxburgh, and Selkirk, and the Burghs of Hawick and Galashiels, and also comprising the Parish of Stow, in the County of Midlothian (1st October 1911).

*Buteshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Caithness.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*