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TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1920.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of August 1920.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Representation of the People Acts, 1918 to 1920, power is conferred on His Majesty to make provision for various matters by Order in Council:

And whereas by the Representation of the People Order, His Majesty has been pleased by Order in Council to make provision for various matters under the said Acts:

And whereas by Section 40 (2) of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, any Order in Council made thereunder may be revoked or varied as occasion requires by any subsequent Order in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon Him by the said Acts and of all other powers enabling Him in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

The Representation of the People Order shall be amended as follows:—

1. In sub-section (3) of rule 21, "the close of the poll" shall be substituted for "the time fixed for the commencement of the counting of the votes," as from the date when section 23 (3) of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, ceases to have effect.

2. Rule 22 and rule 42 shall be omitted on and

after the date on which they cease to have effect by virtue of the provisions of any Act which becomes law during the present Session and which may be cited as the Representation of the People Act (No. 2) Act, 1920, and such Act is in this Order referred to as the Representation of the People (No. 2) Act, 1920.

3. Sub-section (2) of rule 23 shall be omitted.

4. The foregoing rule shall be substituted for rule 24:—

"24. (1) The registration officer on receiving an application for the issue of a proxy paper shall, if satisfied that a proxy may be appointed, intimate to the person nominated as first choice, unless he knows that that person is not qualified to be appointed as proxy or has expressed his unwillingness to act, that it is proposed to appoint him as proxy for the elector, and that if no notice is received within seven days intimating that he is unwilling or unable to act as proxy for the elector a proxy paper will be issued to him and that he will be entered on the list of proxies.

"Provided that where the registration officer requires further information to enable him to issue a proxy paper and the name of any person is given in the form of application as authorised to make an application giving such further information as may be necessary to enable a proxy paper to be issued to the person or one of the persons nominated, the registration officer shall apply to the person so named for such further information.

"If at the expiration of the said seven days no notice is received intimating that the