

usual channels. Officers of the Reserve of Air Force Officers and Officers on the retired list of the Royal Air Force will communicate with and obtain their cards, whether for attendance or presentation, from the Secretary, Air Ministry, Kingsway, W.C.2.

6. All Officers of the Indian Services and of the Indian Army, whether on the active or retired lists, will communicate with and obtain their cards, for attendance or for presentation, from the Political A.D.C. to the Secretary of State at the India Office, Whitehall.

7. All Officers of the Colonial Service and Colonial Forces, whether on the active or retired lists, will communicate with and obtain their cards, whether for attendance or presentation, from the Colonial Office, Whitehall, with the exception of Officers of the local Forces of the self-governing Dominions, who will apply to the Under-Secretary of State, the War Office, for their cards for attendance or for presentation, supporting their application in all cases by a credential from the Governor-General, Governor, Officer commanding the local Forces, or the representative in London of the Dominion concerned.

8. Lord Mayors and Mayors, High Sheriffs, Sheriffs, Recorders, Chairmen of Quarter Sessions, Metropolitan Police Magistrates and other Stipendiary Magistrates, and all gentlemen connected with the Home Office, will make their applications, whether for attendance or for presentation, through the Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

9. Lord Provosts and Provosts, Conveners of County Councils, and all gentlemen connected with Departments under the Secretary of State for Scotland, will make their applications for attendance or for presentation through the Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Scotland, at the Scottish Office, Whitehall.

Scottish Judges, Law Officers, King's Counsel and legal officials in Scotland should make their applications through the Legal Secretary to the Lord Advocate.

10. Chairmen of County Councils, and all gentlemen connected with the Ministry of Health, will similarly make their applications through the Private Secretary to the Minister of Health.

11. Judges, Law Officers, King's Counsel, and all Legal Officials holding appointments under the Crown, other than those already mentioned, will similarly make their applications through the Private Secretary to the Lord Chancellor.

12. All gentlemen connected with the Foreign Office or any other Government Department will adopt the same procedure, and will communicate with and obtain their cards for attendance or presentation from the Department under which they serve.

13. The names both for attendance and presentation must be received at the various Offices above indicated not later than ten days prior to the date of the Levée.

CROMER,  
Lord Chamberlain.

## NOTICE.

NORTHERN IRELAND LAND ACT, 1925  
(15 & 16 GEO. V., c. 34).

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury give notice that pursuant to Section 2 of the Northern Ireland Land Act, 1925, They have authorised the further creation of £415,835 Guaranteed Four and a half per cent. Bonds, including £47,000 such Bonds for issue to the National Debt Commissioners, and making with the amounts previously authorised a total of £1,688,615 such Bonds.

*Whitehall, April 24, 1928.*

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to award the Albert Medal to Gunner John Fairclough, Royal Artillery, in recognition of his gallantry in the following circumstances:—

On the night of April 27, 1927, a serious fire occurred in a petrol godown in Ambala. Three Indian boys had gone to the godown in a lorry to get petrol, and they entered the building carrying a lantern. The naked light ignited the petrol vapour with which in the hot weather the building was filled, and in a very short time the whole building was ablaze. On the outbreak of the fire the lorry driver departed, and before any organised aid could arise the boys were trapped in the burning building. Gunner Fairclough, who happened to be walking alone near by, at once went to their assistance. In spite of the fact that the heat from the burning building was so intense as to keep onlookers at a considerable distance from the fire, he three times entered the building and rescued the three children. Gunner Fairclough was severely burned, and unfortunately the three Indian boys later died.

Gunner Fairclough, in entering on three separate occasions a burning building containing a highly inflammable and in certain circumstances a highly explosive substance, three times put his life in the gravest danger. To enter the building the first time was an act calling for great courage, but to enter it twice thereafter, knowing the full danger to be run, was an act of exceptional gallantry.

*Whitehall, April 26, 1928.*

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal to Mr. James Marron and Mr. James M'Mullin, in recognition of their gallantry in the following circumstances:—

On the 10th January last, while a furnace was being tapped at the Acklam Iron Works of Messrs. Dorman Long & Company, Middlesbrough, a portion of the brick flooring near the furnace was forced upwards by an explosion, and flames and several tons of molten metal belched forth. In a very short time all the ground near the furnace was covered with molten metal, flames were leaping into the air nearly fifteen feet high, and it was almost impossible to see on account of