

Factory Department,
Ministry of Labour and National Service,
St. James's Square, London, S.W.1,
18th December 1945.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. Malcolm M'Lellan to be Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the Frioockheim District of the County of Angus.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE,
CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS AND WORKMEN'S
COMPENSATION ACT, 1941.

Notice is hereby given under the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that it is proposed by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Minister of National Insurance, acting jointly, and that Committee and the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, after the expiration of at least forty days from this date, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 8 of the National Health Insurance, Contributory Pensions and Workmen's Compensation Act, 1941, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, to make regulations to be entitled the National Health Insurance (Emergency Additional Benefits) Amendment Regulations, 1946.

On account of urgency, the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Minister of National Insurance, acting jointly, and that Committee and the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, under Section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, made regulations dated December 3, 1945, and entitled the National Health Insurance (Emergency Additional Benefits) Amendment Regulations,

1945, to come into operation forthwith as provisional rules and to continue in force until regulations have been made in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of that Act.

Copies of the provisional regulations so made, which constitute the draft of regulations to be made as aforesaid, can be purchased directly from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Dated this 28th day of December 1945.

Ministry of National Insurance,
Carlton House Terrace, London, S.W.1.

PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACTS, 1907 to 1942.

Proceedings under Section 20.

Notice is hereby given that Orders restoring the under-mentioned Letters Patent were made on the 18th December 1945 :—

No. of Patent.	Patentees.	Subject-Matter.
421,167	Ricke T. W. and another	Crimping tool.
426,035	Ricke T. W. and another	Bung closures for barrels and the like.

H. L. SAUNDERS, Comptroller-General.
The Patent Office.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 to 1937, AND AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937 (PART IV.).

GREAT BRITAIN.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

RETURN No. 23/1945. OUTBREAKS OF SCHEDULED (NOTIFIABLE) DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MINISTRY during the period 1st to 15th DECEMBER 1945.

Summary of Returns of outbreaks of certain scheduled (notifiable) diseases which have been confirmed by the Ministry during the period 1st to 15th December 1945.

Period.	Anthrax.		Foot-and-Mouth Disease.		Parasitic Mange.*		Sheep Scab.	Swine Fever.	
	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals slaughtered as diseased or exposed to infection.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Swine slaughtered.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Period 1st to 15th December 1945	2	2	2	126	—	—	8	15	—
Corresponding period in { 1944	11	12	6	556	1	1	19	58	16
{ 1943	11	11	1	163	1	1	22	23	11
{ 1942	17	18	20	2,127	—	—	25	9	4
Total 1st January to 15th December 1945	115	132	127	10,452	6	6	118	908	579
Corresponding period in { 1944	181	196	175	15,120	8	23	233	1,396	917
{ 1943	275	311	18	3,458	9	14	224	524	354
{ 1942	348	380	662	55,534	27	67	265	434	280

NOTE.—The figures for the current year are approximate only.

* Excluding outbreaks in Army Horses.

NOTE.—The following diseases were eradicated from Great Britain in the years indicated :—Cattle plague, or rinder-pest (*pestis bovina*) 1877; pleuro-pneumonia (*peripneumonia contagiosa bovis*) 1898; sheep pox (*variola ovium*) 1850; rabies 1922; epizootic lymphangitis (*lymphangitis epizootica*) 1906; and glanders (including farcy) (*malleus*) 1928. Dourine (*exanthema coitalis paralyticum*) has never existed in Great Britain.

No case of Fowl Pest (*pestis avium*) has been confirmed in Great Britain since the 11th January 1937, the date as from which the disease was first notifiable. So far as is known, however, Fowl Pest has not existed in Great Britain since 1938.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,
27th December 1945.