EXCHEQUER BILLS.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, February 21, 1887.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice to the holders of Exchequer Bills issued under the authority of the Act 29 Vict., cap. 25, and dated the 11th March, 1882, the 11th March, 1883, the 11th March, 1885, and the 11th March, 1886, that the interest thereon for the half-year ending on the 11th day of March, 1887, will be payable at the Bank of England on and after the 11th day of March, 1887.

The said EXCHEQUER BILLS, dated the 11th March, 1882, the 11th March, 1883, the 11th March, 1886, will be Paid off, either in New Bills or in money, on the 11th March, 1887, when the Interest will cease. Such Bills will be received at the Bank of England daily from ten till two o'clock,

UNTIL WEDNESDAY, THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 1887, INCLUSIVE.

Printed forms, containing instructions for the preparation of the Lists and the arrangement of the Bills, may be obtained on application at the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

The holders must insert their names and addresses in each List; but where the names of holders are inserted in the body of the Bills, the indorsements of such holders must be obtained previously to their Lists and Bills being left for examination.

NEW BILLS, prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Act 29 Vict., cap. 25, dated the 11th day of March, 1887, may be obtained in payment of the principal of the whole, or part, of the Exchequer Bills advertised for payment, on the claimants specifying in their Lists the amount of New Bills required by them.

The interest of the said New Bills will be payable by coupons, half-yearly, on the 11th September and 11th March, at the Bank of England. The rate of interest will be advertised from time to time in the London Gazette. Such rate for the half-year to the 11th day of September, 1887, will be three per cent. per annum.

The Bills will be current from year to year, for a period of five years, commencing on the 11th March, 1887, at the option of the holders; and they will be payable for duties, aids, and taxes, at any time during the last six months of every year, viz., between the 11th September, in each year, and the 11th March following.

The New Bills in payment of the Bills left on or before the said 2nd day of March for Exchange, will be issued ON FRIDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF MARCH, 1887, when the claimants must attend at the Bank of England to sign receipts for the payment of Principal.

Notice will be given yearly of the days on which holders of the New Exchequer Bills who may be desirous of being paid the principal moneys must send their Bills to the Bank of England for examination and payment.

Payment, in money, may be obtained at the Bank of England after the said 11th day of March next for any Exchequer Bills hereby advertised for payment in New Bills or in money as above, and which may not be brought in accordingly, upon the claimants leaving the Bills for examination three days prior to that on which such payment is desired, between the hours of Ten and Two.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873. GRANTHAM FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Town Council of the Borough of Grantham, as owners, that a Fair has been annually held in the said borough, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the days for holding such Fair should be altered, and that the Fair hitherto held on the first Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in April should for the future be held instead on the three days next following the fifth Sunday in Lent in each year;

And whereas notice of the said representation and of the time when I should take the same into consideration has been duly given to the magistrates of the said borough, and otherwise published in pursuance of "The Fairs Act, 1873;"

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the time for the holding of the said Fair should be altered as proposed;

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1873," do hereby order that the days shall be altered for the holding of the said Fair, which has been annually held in the borough of Grantham; and that the Fair hitherto held in the said borough on the first Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in April in each year, shall for the future be held instead on the three days next following the fifth Sunday in Lent in each year.

Given under my hand, at Whitehall, this 15th day of February, 1887.

Henry Matthews.

Prison Commissioners' Department, Edinburgh, February 19, 1887.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, with the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, and with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, have added the following situations to Schedule B of the Order in Council of June 4th, 1870, namely:—

Temporary Draughtsmen employed in the Department of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland.

Civil Service Commission, February 22, 1887.

THE following Candidates have been certified by the Civil Service Commissioners as qualified for the appointments set against their respective names:—

February 17, 1887.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

War Office: Clerk of the New Higher Division,

Herbert James Read.

AFTER LIMITED COMPETITION.

Notional Education Office, Ireland: Inspector's

Assistant, Thomas Martin.

Without Competition.

Prison Departmen', England: Subordinate Officer,

Division I, John Warn Minnard.

Post Office: Skilled Telegraphist, London, James Alma Havard.

Tube Attendant, London, Charles Henry Edwards.

Sorting Clerks and Telegraph Learners, Edwin Greaves (Sheffield), Walter Herbert Symes (Portsmouth).