Manufacturers only will be accepted. Contract Department, Admiralty, London, January 1, 1898.

Bounty Office,
Westminster, January 1, 1898.

OTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Rule 5
of the Second Charter of 12 Anne, that
on the 16th day of March next, the Governors of
Queen Anne's Bounty will make their annual distribution of grants to duly qualified benefices, in
accordance with the Rules and Regulations prescribed by the said Charter and by subsequent
Royal Sign Manuals.

The following observations apply to the dis-

tribution :—

1. The grants are usually of the capital sum of £200.

2. No grant is given except to meet a benefaction of the value of £200 or more in money, land, houses, rent-charge, or stipend. A rent-charge or stipend of £15 per annum is considered equal to £200.

3. No grant can be made to any benefice—

(a.) The net income of which from all sources exceeds £200 per annum.

(b.) Which has not a consecrated church with district assigned.

4. The Governors have power to make as many as three grants in one year to the same benefice to meet three benefactions.

The present rate of interest allowed on augmen-

tation moneys is 3 per cent.

Further information and forms of application may be obtained from the Secretary. The last day for receiving applications is the 1st day of March next. By order,

JOSEPH K. ASTON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Lead Office, December 29, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's office, 9, Martin's-lane, Cannon-street, London, on Tuesday, the 18th January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a half-yearly General Court, to receive the accounts for the half-year, and to consider of a dividend. The Transfer Book will be closed from the 12th to the 18th January inclusive.

By order of the Court of Assistants, JOHN ELLIOTT Secretary.

The Companies Acts, 1862 to 1893.

The Victor-Waihou Gold Mining Company,

Limited.

AT an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company, duly convened and held at Winchester House, Old Broad-street, in the city of London, on Wednesday, the 15th day of December, 1897, the following resolutions were passed, and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, also duly convened and held at Winchester House, Old Broadstreet, in the said city of London, on Thursday the 30th day of December, 1897, the said resolutions were duly confirmed:—

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1. "That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company, and that with a view thereto the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Edward William Fellgate, of 63, New Broad-street, in the city of London, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up at

a remuneration of £105.
2. "That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named the Victor-Waihou Gold Mines, Limited, with a Memorandum and

Articles of Association, which have been already prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors.

3. "That the draft agreement submitted to this Meeting, and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the new Company of the other part, be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 161 of the Companies Act of 1862, to enter into an agreement with such new Company (when incorporated) in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient."

J. V. SMEDLEY, Chairman.

The Companies Acts, 1862 to 1893. The Waitekauri Extended, Limited.

T an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at Winchester House, Old Broad-street, in the city of London, on Wednesday, the 15th day of December, 1897, the following resolutions were passed, and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, also duly convened and held at Winchester House, Old Broad-street, in the said city of London, on Thursday the 30th day of December, 1897, the said resolutions were duly confirmed:—

1. "That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company and that with a view thereto the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Edward William Fellgate, of 63, New Broad-street, in the city of London, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up at

a remuneration of £105.

2. "That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named 'The Waitekauri Extended, Limited,' with a Memorandum and Articles of Association, which have been already prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors.

3. "That the draft agreement submitted to this Meeting and expressed to be made between this Company, and its Liquidator of the one part and the new Company of the other part be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 161 of the Companies Act of 1862 to enter into an agreement with such new Company (when incorporated) in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient."

GEO. HARDIE, Chairman.

The Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890.

Special Resolution of the Etherley Grange and
Woodhouse Colliery Company, Limited.

Passed 8th December, 1897. Confirmed 23rd December, 1897.

A T an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the said Company, duly convened and held at the registered office of the Company, Bishop Auckland, on Wednesday, the 8th day of December, 1897, and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting, also duly convened and held at the same place, on Thursday, the 28rd day of December, 1897, the following Special Resolution was duly passed and confirmed:—

Special Resolution—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Acts, and that Mr. Fred Verity Nettleton be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up."

Date of Signature 30th day of December, 1897.

A. Mein Chairman.