

Downing Street,
December 31, 1903.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Francis Watts, Esq. (Local Director of Agriculture), to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Island of Antigua.

By virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King George III, intituled "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts made in the tenth and fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty, as authorizes the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out Writs for the Election of Members to serve in Parliament in the manner therein mentioned, and for substituting other provisions for the like purposes"; and of an Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to further limit and define the time for proceeding to Election during the Recess."

I DO hereby give notice, that the death of Sir Harry Bullard, Knight, late a Member serving in this present Parliament for the City of Norwich, hath been certified to me in writing under the hands of two Members serving in this present Parliament, and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the Electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said City at the end of six days after the insertion of this notice in the London Gazette.

Given under my hand this thirty-first day of December, 1903.

W. C. GULLY, Speaker.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1901.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, pursuant to section 3 (3) of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that on the 30th December, 1903, he made an Order under sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, modifying the proportion of cubic feet of space to be provided for each person employed in Underground Bakehouses and in Bakehouses (other than such as are underground) where work is carried on at night by artificial light other than electric light. The proportion for underground bakehouses is fixed at 500 cubic feet, and for the other class of bakehouses at 400 cubic feet.

Copies of the Order may be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding-street, Fleet-street, E.C.

Whitehall, 31st December, 1903.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1901.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, pursuant to section 3 (3) of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that on the 29th December, 1903, he made an Order under section 49 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, consolidating with amendments the existing Orders relating to the overtime employment of women on not more than 30 days in any twelve months, viz., the Orders dated the 20th December, 1882, the 22nd November, 1883, the 12th March,

1884, the 27th August, 1884, the 26th April, 1887, the 16th September, 1889, the 13th October, 1890, the 7th September, 1896, the 30th June, 1897, the 28th June, 1899, the 27th June, 1902, and the 18th June, 1903; which Orders are thereby revoked.

Copies of the Order may be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding-street, Fleet-street, E.C.

Whitehall, 31st December, 1903.

POOR PRISONERS' DEFENCE ACT, 1903.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, pursuant to section 3 (3) of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that on the 30th December, 1903, he made Regulations under section 1 (2) of the Poor Prisoners' Defence Act, 1903, as to the rates and scales of payment which may be made for the expenses of the defence.

Copies of the Regulations may be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding-street, Fleet-street, E.C.

Whitehall, 31st December, 1903.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 30, 1903.
H. 16120.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated December 29, from His Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg:—"Alexandria declared free from plague."

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 30, 1903.
H. 18138.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated December 29, from His Majesty's Representative at Tehran:—"Cholera having broken out in Irak Arab, Persian Government have prohibited visit of pilgrims and transport of dead bodies to Kerbela and Nejeff. Quarantine stations will be established at Kasr-i-Shirin, Mohammerah, and other points on the Turkish frontier if necessary. Quarantine will be against all persons coming from Irak Arab to Persian territory."

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.

The Board of Trade have recently confirmed the following Orders, made by the Light Railway Commissioners:—

(1.) Quarry Bank, Brierley Hill, and Rowley Regis Light Railway Order, 1903, authorizing the construction of Light Railways in the urban districts of Quarry Bank, Brierley Hill, and Rowley Regis, in the county of Stafford.

(2.) Robertsbridge and Pevensy Light Railway (Extension of Time) Order, 1903, amending the Robertsbridge and Pevensy Light Railway Order, 1900.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.,
31st December, 1903.