Privy Council Office, February 29, 1908.

Notice is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to His Majesty by the Council of the County Borough of Huddersfield, praying, under the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, for an alteration of the number and boundaries of the Wards of the Borough; and notice is hereby further given, that His Majesty has been pleased, by His Order in Council of this day's date, to order that the said Petition be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on the third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

Privy Council Office, March 3, 1908.

Notice is hereby given, that "The East Africa Order in Council, 1907," which is published below, came into operation on the 1st day of January, 1908.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 2nd day of November, 1907.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS the territories of Africa known as the East Africa Protectorate are under the protection of His Majesty the King:

And whereas by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance, and other lawful means, His Majesty has power and jurisdiction within the said Protectorate:

And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council bearing date the eleventh day of August, one thousand nine hundred and two, and entitled "The East Africa Order in Council, 1902," provision was made for the administration of the government of the said Protectorate by a Commissioner:

And whereas by a further Order of His Majesty in Council bearing date the twenty-second day of October one thousand nine hundred and six, it was provided that a Governor should be appointed for the said Protectorate in place of a Commissioner:

And whereas by the fifteenth and sixteenth Articles of the last recited Order provision was made for the administration of the government of the said Protectorate in the absence of the Governor, and it is desirable to make other provision in lieu thereof:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers on that behalf by the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, or otherwise, in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

I. This Order may be cited as "The East Africa Order in Council, 1907."

II. Articles XV and XVI of the above recited Order in Council of the twenty-second day of October, one thousand nine hundred and six, are as from the coming into operation of this Order hereby revoked without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, and in place thereof the following articles shall be substituted and take effect:---

"XV. Whenever the office of Governor is vacant, or if the Governor become incapable or be absent from the Protectorate, or is from any cause prevented from acting in the duties of his " office, the person appointed by His Majesty to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Protectorate, or if there be no such officer thereiu, or such officer be unable to act, then such person or persons as His Majesty may appoint under His Sign Manual and Signet, and in default of any such appointment the Senior Member of the Executive Council shall, during His Majesty's pleasure, administer the Government of the Protectorate, first taking the oaths hereinbefore directed to be taken by the Governor and in the manner herein prescribed, which being done, the Lieutenant-Governor or any other such administrator as aforesaid is hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to do and execute, during His Majesty's pleasure, all things that belong to the office of Governor according to the tenour of this Order, and according to His Majesty's Instructions as aforesaid, and the Laws of the Protectorate. Provided that the Governor during his passage by sea to or from any part of the Protectorate, or when, in the exercise or discharge of any powers or duties by this Order in Council or otherwise conferred or imposed upon him, he is in any territories adjacent to or near to the Protectorate, shall not be considered to be absent from the Protectorate.

"XVI. In the event of the Governor having occasion at any time to be temporarily absent for a short period from the seat of Government, or, in the exercise or discharge of any powers or duties by this Order in Council or otherwise conferred or imposed upon him by His Majesty, to visit any territories adjacent to or near to the Protectorate, he may by an instrument under the Public Seal of the Protectorate appoint the Lieutenant-Governor, or if there be no such officer, or such officer is absent or unable to act, then any other person to be his Deputy within any part of the Protectorate, and in that capacity to exercise, during his pleasure, such of the powers hereby vested in the Governor, except the powers. of suspension and pardon, as shall in and by such instrument be specified and limited, but no others. The appointment of such Deputy shall not affect the exercise by the Governor himself of any of his powers or authorities. Such Deputy shall, in the discharge of his office, conform to and observe all such instructions as the Governor shall address to him for his guidance."

III. His Majesty, His heirs and successors, in Council may at any time revoke, alter, or amend this Order.

IV. This Order shall be read and proclaimed within the Protectorate, and shall thereupon commence and come into operation.

And the Right Honourable the Earl of Elgin, K.G., one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein.

A. W. FitzRoy.

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Foreign Office,

February 1, 1908. The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint--

Ernest Bristow, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Tangier: