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FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1909.

Westminster, March 30, 1909.

This day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1909.
Zetland Masonic Sick and Widows and Orphans
Fund Order Confirmation Act, 1909.

At the Court at *Saint James's*, the 2nd day of
April, 1909.

PRESENT,

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF
WALES.

Lord President.
Lord Steward.
Lord Haversham.
Lord Pentland.

WHEREAS His Majesty was pleased, by His Commission dated the second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and nine, to nominate and appoint His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, in His Majesty's absence from His Realm in foreign parts, to hold on; His

Majesty's behalf, His Privy Council, and to signify thereat His approval of any matter or thing whereunto His Royal Highness should be so authorized by writing under His Majesty's Sign Manual, and to do further on His Majesty's behalf any matter or thing for the purposes of the said Commission whereunto His Royal Highness should be authorized in manner aforesaid.

And whereas by section 2 of The Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, it is amongst other things enacted that "so much of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, as makes it an offence for any person to sell or keep open shop for the sale of poisons, unless he is a duly registered pharmaceutical chemist or chemist and druggist, and conforms to regulations made under section one of that Act, shall not apply in the case of poisonous substances to be used exclusively in agriculture or horticulture for the destruction of insects, fungi, or bacteria, or as sheep dips or weed killers which are poisonous by reason of their containing arsenic, tobacco, or the alkaloids of tobacco, if the person so selling or keeping open shop is duly licensed for the purpose under this section by a local authority, and conforms to any regulations as to the keeping, transporting, and selling of poisons made under this section, but nothing in this section shall exempt any person so licensed from the requirements of any other provision of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, or of the Arsenic Act, 1851, relating to poisons;" and that His Majesty may by Order in Council make regulations as to:—

- (a) the granting of licences under this section; and
- (b) the duration, renewal, revocation, suspension, extent, and production of such licences; and