

notice of any minimum time-rate or general minimum piece-rate fixed by them, the Board of Trade shall make an order (in this Act referred to as an obligatory order) making that minimum rate obligatory in cases in which it is applicable on all persons employing labour and on all persons employed, unless they are of opinion that the circumstances are such as to make it premature or otherwise undesirable to make an obligatory order, and in that case they shall make an order suspending the obligatory operation of the rate (in this Act referred to as an order of suspension).

AND WHEREAS on the 1st day of February, 1911, the Trade Board established under the said Act for the Hammered and Dollied or Tommied Chain Making trade gave notice that they had fixed minimum time-rates for making Dollied or Tommied Chain and Hand-hammered Chain of the diameters therein more specifically set forth and general minimum piece-rates for making Dollied or Tommied Short Link or Short Link Hand Hammered Chain of the diameters therein more specifically set forth and the rates fixed are set out in the Schedule hereto:

AND WHEREAS the said rates have been in limited operation since the 1st day of February, 1911:

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers in them vested as before recited DO by this order make the said minimum time-rates and general minimum piece-rates fixed by the said Trade Board and set out in the said Schedule hereto, obligatory in cases in which they are applicable on all persons employing labour and on all persons employed in the said trade.

DATED this 2nd day of August, 1911.

Sydney Buxton,

President of the Board of Trade.

Admiralty, 31st July, 1911.

Royal Naval Reserve.

With reference to the notice which appeared in the London Gazette dated 7th March, 1911, the date of the retirement of Lieutenant Ernest Vernon Gerald Schalch should be 13th April, 1911, and not as therein stated.

Admiralty, 1st August, 1911.

In accordance with the provisions of His late Majesty's Order in Council of the 18th October, 1909:—

Lieutenant Robert Francis Pitcairn has this day been placed on the Retired List at his own request.

Miss Margaret Brand Paterson has this day been appointed a Sister in Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service (on probation).

War Office,

4th August, 1911.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

Major-General William E. Blewitt, C.B., C.M.G., to command the Southern Coast Defences, vice Major-General J. K. Trotter, C.B., C.M.G., who has been placed on retired pay. Dated 24th July, 1911.

Colonel Alexander W. Roper, from the Half-pay List, to be a Chief Engineer, vice Colonel P. R. Burn-Clerk-Rattray, who has resigned that appointment. Dated 29th July, 1911.

Major Edward J. Buckley, The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, to be a General Staff Officer, 2nd grade, vice Major J. L. J. Clarke, The East Yorkshire Regiment, whose tenure of that appointment has expired. Dated 31st July, 1911.

Captain Maximilian St. L. Simon, Royal Engineers, to be a Staff Captain at the War Office, vice Captain R. Walker, Royal Engineers, who has vacated that appointment. Dated 29th July, 1911.

Lieutenant Guy Blewitt, The Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, to be Aide-de-Camp to Major-General W. E. Blewitt, C.B., C.M.G. Dated 24th July, 1911.

CAVALRY.

2nd Life Guards, Captain The Honourable Hugh Dawnay, D.S.O., from The Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own), to be Major, vice J. C. Brinton, M.V.O., D.S.O., retired. Dated 18th January, 1911, but not to draw pay or allowances prior to 5th August, 1911.

Second Lieutenant (on probation) Stewart Graham Menzies, to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 1st August, 1911.

2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays), Captain Laurie C. F. Oppenheim retires on retired pay to serve in the Special Reserve under the provisions of Article 510, Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1909. Dated 5th August, 1911.

4th (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel William Belk, on completion of his period of service in command, is placed on the Half-pay List. Dated 4th August, 1911.

Major Richard L. Mullens, from the 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays), to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice W. Belk. Dated 5th August, 1911.

12th (Prince of Wales's Royal) Lancers, Captain William B. Bell, from Indian Army, to be Captain, vice H. E. Connop, who exchanges. Dated 22nd May, 1911.

17th (Duke of Cambridge's Own) Lancers, Second Lieutenant Charles E. D. Dubs to be Lieutenant. Dated 27th June, 1911.

20th Hussars, Captain Morris E. Richardson is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Yeomanry. Dated 15th July, 1911.