Department of the General Post Office, with a special certificate granted exceptionally by the Civil Service Commissioners.

ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, AND WALES. Female Voluntary Contributors.

Civil Service Commission, May 31, 1912.

Notice is hereby given, that upon a special recommendation from the Postmaster-General, and with the assent of the Treasury, Mr. Charles Stewart Barton Higgin, having served as a Clerk of the Second Division for upwards of eight years, has been promoted to a First Class Clerkship in the Secretary's Office, Edinburgh, of the General Post Office, with a special certificate granted exceptionally by the Civil Service Commissioners.

NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1911.

(1 & 2 Geo. 5, ch. 55.)

VOLUNTARY RATE FOR FEMALE INSURED PERSONS ENTERING INTO INSURANCE BEFORE THE 15TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1913.

Whereas, by sub-section (1) of section 5 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, the Insurance Commissioners are required and empowered to cause a table to be prepared showing the rate of contributions which will be sufficient, in the case of a person entering into insurance within six months after the commencement of the Act and being then of the age of 45 or upwards, to cover seven-ninths, or in the case of a woman, three-fourths of the benefits conferred by Part I of that Act (in that Act called the voluntary rate); and, whereas, by section 83 of that Act it is pro-vided that the Joint Committee constituted thereunder shall exercise and perform such powers and duties of the several bodies of Commissioners under that Act as may be pro-vided by regulations to be made by the Treasury; and, whereas, by the regulations made by the Treasury thereunder, it is pro-vided that the Joint Committee alone shall exercise the power of making under sub-section 1 of section 5 of the Act the table in accordance with which the voluntary rate is to be ascertained: Now, therefore, the Joint Committee, in pursuance of the powers above recited and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, have caused to be prepared the Table hereto appended showing in the second column thereof the rates of contributions, which will be sufficient in the case of a female person entering into insurance in Great Britain or in Ireland within six months after the commencement of the Act, at the age shown in the corresponding line of the first column of that table, to cover three-fourths of the benefits conferred by Part I of the Act; and the rate shown in the appropriate line of the said Table shall accordingly be the voluntary rate applicable to any such person.

W. J. Braithwaite, Secretary. National Health Insurance Joint Committee, Buckingham Gate, London, S.W. 29th May, 1912.

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NATIONAL INSURANCE.

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The National Health Insurance (Wales) (Advisory Committee) Order, 1912, dated April 19, 1912, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners under section 78 of the National Insurance Act, 1911 (1 & 2 Geo. 5, c. 55).

Whereas by section 58 of the National Insurance Act, 1911 (in this order called the Act), it is enacted that the Insurance Commissioners shall as soon as may be after the passing of the Act appoint an Advisory Committee for the purpose of giving the Insurance Commissioners advice and assistance in connection with

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