

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *May*, 1915.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

HIS MAJESTY having been pleased to deliver the custody of the Seals of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster to the Right Honourable Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill, M.P., the Oath of Office as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster was accordingly this day taken by him.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Privy Council Office, the 27th day of *May*, 1915.

THIS day, in the presence of the Lord President of the Council, the Right Honourable Lewis Harcourt, M.P., was sworn First Commissioner of Works and Public Buildings.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Privy Council Office, the 28th day of *May*, 1915.

THIS day, in the presence of the Lord President of the Council, the Right Honourable William Waldegrave, Earl of Selborne, K.G., G.C.M.G., was sworn President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries; the Right Honourable Arthur Henderson was sworn President of the Board of Education; and the Right Honourable Herbert Louis Samuel, M.P., was sworn Postmaster-General.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *May*, 1915.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the Special Constables Act, 1914, His Majesty was pleased, by an Order in Council dated the 9th day of September, 1914, (called the Special Constables Order, 1914), to make regulations respecting special constables:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the said Regulations in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the Special Constables Order, 1914, shall have effect and shall be deemed always to have had effect as if after Regulation 9 the following Regulation were inserted:—

"9A. If any special constable dies from any illness contracted in the execution of his duty the police authority may if they think fit grant gratuities to his widow and children or any of them at the same rates as under the Police Act, 1890, are payable in the case of police constables who have completed not more than five years' service and are drawing pay at the rate of five shillings a day, and such gratuities shall be paid out of the police fund."

Almeric FitzRoy.

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PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the Special Constables Act, 1914, His Majesty was pleased, by an Order in Council dated the 17th day of September, 1914, (called the Special Constables (Scotland) Order, 1914), to make Regulations respecting Special Constables in Scotland:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the said Regulations in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the Special Constables (Scotland) Order, 1914, shall have effect, and shall be deemed always to have had effect, as if after Regulation 1 the following Regulation were inserted:—

"1A. If any Special Constable dies from any illness contracted in the execution of his duty the Police Authority may, if they think fit, grant gratuities to his widow and children, or any of them, at the same rates as are payable in the case of Police Constables who have completed not more than five years' service and are drawing pay at the rate of five shillings a day, and such gratuities shall be paid out of the Police Fund."

Almeric FitzRoy.

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The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS MAJESTY in Council was this day pleased to appoint Robert Whitehead, Esquire, of Hargate Hall, Buxton, to be Sheriff of the County of Derby in the room of Colonel Harry Anthony Chandos-Pole-Gell, of Hopton, Wirksworth, whose appointment has been vacated.

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The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 1st day of May, 1915, in the words following, viz.:—

"Whereas by Section 1 of the Injuries in War (Compensation) Act, 1914, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for Your Majesty, by Your Order in Council, to frame a Scheme as to the pensions, grants, and other allowances in the nature thereof, to be paid to persons, not being Officers or Seamen of the Royal Navy, or Officers or Soldiers of any of Your Majesty's Land or Marine Forces, in respect of injuries suffered by them whilst employed afloat by or under the Admiralty, or Army Council, in connection with warlike operations in which Your Majesty is engaged, and, in the