specify the particular trade or trades for which | substitutes are required.

Note (5).—The Statutory List for each country is telegraphed, on the day of issue, to His Majesty's Representative in that country, who is instructed to notify accordingly British Consular Officers, to whom persons abroad should apply for information as to names on the Persons and firms in the United Kingdom with agencies or branches abroad would, however, be well advised to furnish such agencies or branches with issues of the List as they appear. The Lists for all countries in Central or South America are also telegraphed to His Majesty's Ambaseador at Washington, who transmits them to H.M. Consul-General at New York and to other centres in the United States likely to be interested.

*Note (6).—It is not unusual for firms in Holland and the Netherland East Indies to be registered under names commencing with descriptive terms such as "Handel Maatschappy" (Trading Company) or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (Limited Liability Company). In such cases it has been found more convenient to publish the firm under its proper name followed by the general descriptive term "Handel Maatschappy" or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (N.V.) as in the case of an English company. For instance, Handel English company. Maatschappy van den Berg & Company, and Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Dumonceau Frères will be found under "Berg" and "Komeet" respectively, and not under "Handel" or "Naamlooze."

Westminster, 2nd August, 1917.

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

Finance Act, 1917. Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Act, 1917. Confirmation of Executors (War Service) (Scotland) Act, 1917.

Wesleyan Methodists (Appointments during the War) Act, 1917.

Companies (Particulars as to Directors) Act,

Local Government (Allotments and Land Cultivation) (Ireland) Act, 1917.

Naval Discipline Act, 1917. Public Works Loans Act, 1917.

Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Order Confirmation Act, 1917.

Essex and Herts Clergy Charity Scheme Confirmation Act, 1917.

Birmingham Churches Fund Charity Scheme Confirmation Act, 1917.

Church Lands (Bristol St. Thomas) Charity Scheme Confirmation Act, 1917.

Presbyterian Church (Crook) Charity Scheme Confirmation Act, 1917.

Baptist Chapels Scheme Confirmation Act, **1917.**

Congregational Chapels Scheme Confirmation

Act, 1917. Land Drainage (Ewerby) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1917.

Land Drainage (Swaffham) Provisional Order

Confirmation Act, 1917. Land Drainage (Wistow) Provisional Order

Confirmation Act, 1917. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation Act,

Gas and Water Provisional Orders Act, 1917. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation Act,

1917. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1917.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1917.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1917. Bedwas and Machen Urban District Council

Act, 1917.

Seaham Harbour Dock Act, 1917.

London County Council (Money) Act, 1917. Ebbw Vale Urban District Council Act, 1917.

Barrow-in-Furness Corporation Water Act, 1917.

Ashton-under-Lyne Corporation Act, 1917. North Cheshire Water Act, 1917.

Port of London Act, 1917.

Chepstow Water Act, 1917.

Sheffield Gas Act, 1917.

Sheffield Corporation Act, 1917.

Colonial Bank Act, 1917.

Caerphilly Urban District Council Act, 1917. South Eastern and London Chatham and Dover Railways Act, 1917.

Boaz' Divorce Act, 1917.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order. St. James's Palace,

14th July, 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the occasion of His Majesty's recent visit to his Army in the Field, to make the following promotions in and appointments to the Royal Victorian Order:-

To be Knights Grand Cross.

General Sir Herbert Charles Onslow Plumer, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. General Sir Henry Seymour Rawlinson, Bt.,

K.C.B., K.C.V.O.

To be Knights Commander.

General Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, K.C.B. Surgeon-General Sir Arthur Thomas Sloggett, K.C.B., K.C.M.G.

Lieutenant-General John Asser, C.B. Major-General Sir William Eliot Peyton, K.C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O.

To be Commander.

Colonel John James Henry Nation, D.S.O.

To be Members of the Fourth Class.

Lieutenant-Colonel Alan Francis Fletcher, D.S.O.

Lieutenant-Colonel James Henville Thresher. Major James Gordon Dugdale, D.S.O., M.C. Captain Henry Constable Roberts, D.S.O.