

§NOTE (3).—Trading is prohibited under the Trading with the Enemy Proclamations of 25th June and 10th November, 1915, with any person or firm of enemy nationality resident or carrying on business in China, Siam, Persia, Morocco, Liberia or Portuguese East Africa. Persons or firms in the United Kingdom are therefore prohibited from trading with any person or firm of enemy nationality in any of those countries, even though such person or firm is not mentioned by name in the Statutory List.

NOTE (4).—In order to minimise as far as possible any inconvenience which may be caused to British traders by the dislocation of export trade owing to the inclusion in the Statutory List of a former connection, the Foreign Trade Department is collecting and classifying the names of non-enemy firms who may be able to act as substitutes for firms mentioned in the Statutory List. A considerable amount of information is already available at the Foreign Trade Department, and it is in many cases possible to suggest the names of satisfactory substitutes for individual firms on the Lists without the necessity of referring the matter abroad. The Department is, however, prepared on application to enquire of His Majesty's Representatives abroad for the names of suitable substitutes. When the applicant wishes this done by telegraph he is required to undertake to pay the cost of telegraphic correspondence. It would greatly facilitate the work of the Foreign Trade Department if applicants in making enquiries would specify the particular trade or trades for which substitutes are required. *General enquiries for new connections abroad should be addressed to the Comptroller-General, Department of Overseas Trade (Development and Intelligence), 73, Basinghall Street, London, E.C. 2.*

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 List. 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 names on the Lists for all countries in Central or South America are also notified to His Majesty's Ambassador 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 Maatschappij" (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 Maatschappij" or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (N.V.) as in the case of an English company. For instance, Handel Maatschappij van den Berg & Company, and Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Dumonceau Frères will be found under "Berg" and "Komeet" respectively, and not under "Handel" or "Naamlooze."

Whitehall, February 14, 1918.

Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland conferring the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon the undermentioned gentlemen and the heirs male of their bodies lawfully begotten:—

Sir Francis William Lowe, of Edgbaston, in the City of Birmingham, Knight.

Sir George Allardice Riddell, of Walton Heath, in the County of Surrey, Knight.

James Craig, of Craigavon, in the County of Down, Esquire.

Thomas Cope, of Osbaston Hall, in the parish of Market Bosworth, in the County of Leicester, Esquire.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACTS.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that an Order has been made this day suspending the Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of Northumberland) Order of 27th November, 1911, until the 1st day of June next in so far as it prohibits the taking or destroying of the eggs of the Herring Gull throughout the County of Northumberland, and until the 21st day of June next in so far as it prohibits the taking or destroying of the eggs of the Guillemot, Puffin and Razor-bill throughout the said county.

The Order will be on sale shortly in Statutory Rule form.

Whitehall,

12th February, 1918.

Whitehall, 26th January, 1918.

The KING has been graciously pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, to ordain and declare that Charles William Baillie-Hamilton, Esquire, and Helen Baillie-Hamilton, Spinster, brother and sister of George, Earl of Haddington, shall henceforth have, hold and enjoy the same title, rank, place, pre-eminence and precedence as would have been due to them if their father, George Baillie-Hamilton, Esquire (commonly called Lord Binning), Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel, late Royal Horse Guards, with temporary rank of Brigadier-General in His Majesty's Army, deceased, had survived his father George, late Earl of Haddington, and had thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Earl of Haddington.

And to command that the said Royal Order and Declaration be recorded in His Majesty's College of Arms.

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Ministry of Munitions of War,

15th February, 1918.

HIGH SPEED TOOL STEEL.

Notice modifying prices and extras fixed by the General Permit of 1st November, 1916, as subsequently modified.