

mind, and regardless of the danger to himself, unhooked the burning bomb and carried it to a place of safety. By his prompt action Flight-Sergeant Nicholl, whose hands were badly burned, saved the second machine and prevented further serious damage and loss of life which would probably have been caused.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACTS.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that, on the 1st instant, he made an amending Order under the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, for the County Borough of Barrow-in-Furness, prohibiting the taking or destroying of the eggs of any species of Wild Birds within that part of the County Borough known as Walney Island for a further period of five years.

Copies of the Order may be purchased through any Bookseller, or directly from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses: Imperial House, Kingsway, London, W.C. 2, and 28, Abingdon Street, London, S.W. 1; 37, Peter Street, Manchester; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 23, Forth Street, Edinburgh; or from E. Ponsonby, Ltd., 116, Grafton Street, Dublin; or from the Agencies in the British Colonies and Dependencies, the United States of America and other Foreign Countries, of T. Fisher Unwin, Ltd., London, W.C. 2.

Whitehall,
June 4, 1918.

Scottish Office,
June 6, 1918.

A Loyal and Dutiful Address from the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland, having been forwarded to the Secretary for Scotland for presentation to the King, has been presented accordingly to His Majesty, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

Board of Trade,
7, Whitehall Gardens,
S.W. 1.

THE PLATINUM MINES ORDER, 1918, dated the fourth day of June, 1918, made by the Board of Trade, under Regulation 30BB of the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

The Board of Trade, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulation 30BB of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, hereby order as follows:—

1. Regulation 30BB of the Defence of the Realm Regulations is hereby applied to mines from which any ores of platinum are extracted.

2. This Order may be cited as the Platinum Mines Order, 1918.

H. Llewellyn Smith,
A Secretary to the Board of Trade.

Board of Trade,
7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.
6th June, 1918.

The Paper-Making Materials (Home-Produced) Order, No. 2, 1918, dated June 5th, 1918, made by the Board of Trade under Regulations 2F, 2G, and 2JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

The Board of Trade deeming it expedient to make further exercise of the powers vested in them by Regulations 2F, 2G, and 2JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations as respects paper-making materials hereby order as follows:—

1. In this Order the expression "Paper-Making Material" means linen rags (old or new), cotton rags (old or new), jute rags (old or new), roofing rags, surat tares, jute or hemp-bagging, gunny, threads and waste (linen, cotton or jute), flax or jute croppings, flax or jute caddis, jute tow, hemp waste, flax card waste, new canvas cuttings (linen or cotton), old canvas (linen or cotton), old tentage, old manilla ropes, old ropes and twines (hemp or jute), old oakum ropes, old rope shakings or caulking, old tarpaulins, and old netting or nets (jute, cotton or hemp), for whatever purpose the same may be bought sold or delivered.

The expression "dealer in paper-making material" means a person who buys or collects any such material for the purpose of resale.

The expression "producer of paper-making material" means a person carrying on a business in which any such material is waste or a bye-product.

2. No person shall buy or offer to buy any paper-making material produced or collected in the United Kingdom except under and in accordance with the terms of a permit granted by the Controller of Paper.

3. No person shall sell or offer for sale any paper-making material produced or collected in the United Kingdom except to the holder of and in accordance with the terms of such a permit as aforesaid.

4. Every dealer in paper-making material produced or collected in the United Kingdom shall supply during the year ending 31st March, 1919, to those customers to whom he supplied such material during the six months from 1st September, 1917, to 28th February, 1918, if required by them, twice the amount of each of the same class of such materials as he supplied to such customers during the said six months, provided that:—

(a) the dealer has been granted a permit to buy material;

(b) reasonable notice has been given by the customer of his requirements;

(c) the dealer's supplies of material are sufficient to meet such requirements;

(d) if the dealer's supplies are not sufficient to meet all requirements of which he shall have had notice, he shall distribute his available stock between the customers from whom he has received notice pro rata to the amounts supplied to them during the said six months or as the Controller of Paper may direct.

(e) any balance of stock that remains after supplying such customers with the amounts to which they are entitled under this paragraph shall be disposed of as the Controller of Paper may direct;

(f) the Controller of Paper may in writing excuse the fulfilment by a dealer of any requirement or any part thereof if in his