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FRIDAY, 23 MAY, 1919.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 8th day of *May*, 1919.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by the Representation of the People Act, 1918 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), as amended by the Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 1918, power is conferred on His Majesty to make provision for various matters by Order in Council:

And whereas by the Representation of the People Order His Majesty was pleased by Order in Council to make provision for various matters under the Act:

And whereas by section 40 (2) of the Act any Order in Council made thereunder may be revoked or varied as occasion requires by any subsequent Order in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the Act, and of all other powers enabling Him in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

The Representation of the People Order shall be amended as follows:—

1. The following rule shall be inserted after rule 6:—

" 6A.—(a) Where no sufficient address in

respect of an absent voter has been furnished to the registration officer for the purpose of the record of addresses required to be kept by him under rule 19 of the First Schedule to the Act the registration officer may record the qualifying premises in respect of which the absent voter is registered as the address of that voter for the purposes of the said rule, unless it appears to the registration officer that a ballot paper if sent to that address would reasonably be expected not to reach the voter; and

(b) Where an envelope containing a ballot paper and the other documents referred to in rule 15 of this Order is returned to the returning officer as not having been delivered to an absent voter, the returning officer may re-address the envelope to any address to which he could send a ballot paper for that voter if he were then sending it for the first time; and

(c) Rule 8 (2) of this Order shall apply to persons who have ceased to be members of the naval, military or air forces of the Crown and are in hospitals or institutions or are otherwise away from their homes for the purpose of training or treatment, as it applies to members of the naval, military or air forces of the Crown; and

(d) Where the registration officer receives from a person whose name is on the absent voters list a duly authenticated application