Whitehall, November 3, 1921.

The KING was pleased, on Wednesday, the 2nd instant, at Buckingham Palace, to confer the honour of Knighthood upon William Robert Pryke, Esq., outgoing Sheriff of the City of London.

Colonel Sidney Wishart, V.D., D.L., J.P., was unable to attend, and will be dubbed at a later date.

The Home Secretary gives notice that, in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment of women and young persons of 16 years of age and over in stamping, pressing and punching parts of metal toys at the works of Meccano, Ltd., Binns Road, Liverpool, on two day-shifts, subject to the conditions that no worker shall be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation shall be provided.

Whitehall,

3rd November, 1921.

The Home Secretary gives notice that, in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment of women of 18 years of age and over in embroidering hosiery at the works of Messrs. Pool, Lorrimer & Tabberer, Lockhurst Lane, Coventry, on two day-shifts, subject to the conditions that no worker shall be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable messroom accommodation and washing and sitting facilities shall be provided.

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1st November, 1921.

TREATY OF PEACE (HUNGARY) ORDER, 1921.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF BRITISH AND HUNGARIAN NATIONALS.

The Administrator of Hungarian Property, pursuant to Section I (ii) of the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Order, 1921, hereby licenses direct communication between British creditors and Hungarian debtors with regard to the adjustment of accounts or settlement of prewar debts, or debts arising out of pre-war transactions or contracts, due by Hungarian nationals to British nationals. If a direct settlement is negotiated, the draft of the agreement embodying the terms must be submitted in duplicate to the Administrator for his approval and such approval in writing obtained before any such agreement can be entered into.

Apart from the penalties incurred by the breach of this licence, no agreement for the settlement of such debts or claims will be valid or binding on the parties in the absence of such written approval.

The Administrator also hereby licenses communication in writing between British debtors and Hungarian creditors with regard to prewar debts or debts arising out of pre-war transactions or contracts, with the sole object of ascertaining particulars of indebtedness between the parties, provided that no proposal or suggestion is made for the payment or settlement of such debts except through the Clearing Offices, and that the party so communicating shall retain true copies of such communications and the original replies thereto and hand the same to the Administrator on demand at any time.

Any direct communication outside the scope of this licence is an offence punishable by fine and/or imprisonment.

Dated this 27th day of October, 1921.

E. S. Grey,

Administrator of Hungarian Property.

Cornwall House, Stamford Street.

London, S.E. 1.

MINES.

COAL MINES.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST COAL DUST.

TEST PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD OF TRADE, NOVEMBER 2ND, 1921, FOR DUST MIXTURES WHICH CONTAIN GYPSUM.

In pursuance of No. 4 of the General Regulations made under the Coal Mines Act, 1911, and dated 30th July, 1920; (a) the Board of Trade hereby prescribe that the following procedure shall be adopted for the purpose of testing the composition of samples of dust mixture which contain gypsum, in lieu of the procedure prescribed by paragraph (c) of the said Regulations:—

1. A weighed quantity of the dust which has passed through the sieve, as prescribed by paragraph (b) of the Regulation, shall be dried at a temperature not exceeding 275° Fahrenheit, and the weight lost shall be reckoned as moisture. The sample shall then be brought to a red heat in an open vessel until it no longer loses weight. The weight so lost by incineration shall be reckoned as combustible matter for the purposes of the test.

> W. C. Bridgeman, Secretary for Mines.

Mines Department,

Victoria Street, S.W. 1, 2nd November, 1921.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT, 1920.

REFERENCES TO THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE UNDER SECTION 10 (1).

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Unemployment Insurance (Determination of Questions) Regulations, 1920, the Minister of Labour hereby gives notice of his intention to refer to the High Court for decision the following questions that have arisen in applications made to him for his decision under Section 10 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, namely, whether the employment of a person as a—

Private Secretary.

Porter employed to clean a hospital and deliver messages and answer calls.

River-keeper on a private estate.

Attendant at a museum to open and close • the galleries and to dust and keep tidy the objects exhibited.

Trainer of greyhounds employed by the owner of a private kennel of greyhounds.

Gamekeeper on a private estate.

Caretaker employed by the Standing Joint

(a) S. R. & O. 1920. No. 1423.