Air Ministry, 25th January, 1924.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Wing Commander Percival Kinnear WISE, C.M.G., D.S.O., is placed on half-pay, scale B. 22nd Dec. 1923.

Observer Officer James Frank Hayden STEVENS to take rank and precedence as if his appointment as Observer Officer bore date 16th Oct. 1922, immediately following the name of Flying Officer Gordon Valentine Carey on the gradation list. The reduction to take effect from 18th Dec. 1923.

India Office, 25th January, 1924.

The KING has approved the promotion of the following officer of the Ind. Army, with effect from the date specified:—

INDIAN ARMY.

Second Lieutenant to be Lieutenant. H. E. Garland. 24th Mar. 1923.

The KING has approved the confirmation in his rank of the undermentioned officer, whose provisional promotion was notified in the Lon. Gaz., dated 10th Aug. 1923.

Capt. J. G. Gibson, M.C.

The KING has approved the provisional promotion of the undermentioned officer, with effect from the date specified.

Lieutenant to be Captain.

E. J. Austen. 24th Apr. 1923.

The KING has approved the grant of the local rank of Lieutenant to the following officers of the Australian Commonwealth Forces while serving with Imperial troops in India, with effect from 17th Dec. 1923, but with seniority as from 15th Dec. 1921.

Lieutenants.

F. N. Nurse, A. G. Wilson, H. G. F. Harlock, L. de L. Barham, A. R. Garrett, A. H. Hellstrom, W. E. Darvall, C. E. W. Hurley, R. K. Anderson, E. E. Grant, R. J. R.

The KING has approved the grant of a temporary commission in the Ind. Med. Service to the undermentioned gentlemen, with effect from the dates specified:—

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

To be temporary Lieutenants.

James Patrick Arland. 13th Nov. 1928. Mohindra Singh. 19th Nov. 1923. Pudukotah Sreenivasachari Varadarajan. 22nd Nov. 1923.

The KING has approved the grant of an honorary commission in the Ind. Land Forces to the undermentioned gentlemen, with effect from the date specified:—

INDIAN LAND FORCES.

To be honorary Second Lieutenant.

Ashiq Hussain Quraishi. 31st July 1923.

The KING has approved the relinquishment of his temporary commission by the undermentioned officer, with effect from the date specified:—

INDIAN ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

Capt. F. Metcalf. 5th June 1923, and is permitted to retain the rank of Capt.

Note.—I.M.S. The undermentioned, the relinquishment of whose temporary commissions was notified in the Lon. Gazs., dated 2nd Nov. and 14th Dec. 1923, respectively, are granted the rank of Capt.

Bhasker Ramchandra Chandorker. Kannauthodath Padmanabha Menon. Prabhat Kumar Bardhan.

The KING has approved the retirement of the following officers, with effect from the dates specified:—

INDIAN ARMY.

Lt.-Col. H. C. Cutler. 20th Jan. 1924.

The undermentioned, whose retirement was notified in the Lon. Gaz. dated 4th May 1923, is granted the rank of Lt.-Col. on retirement. Maj. C. G. Risley, D.S.O., Ind. Army (retd.).

INDIAN ARMY DEPARTMENTS.

Dep. Commy. with rank of Capt. A. E. Tobin, 9th Nov. 1923.

India Office, 21st January 1924.

The Secretary of State for India in Council has appointed Mr. John Philip-Cross to superintend the transfer of lascars between S.S. "City of Madrid" and S.S. "City of Palermo" at Dover on or about 21st January, and to grant the certificate required under section 125 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vic., cap. 60).

The fee to be paid for every lascar, or other person, in respect of whom such certificate is applied for is limited to three shillings, and in no case is the total amount of fees in respect of one crew to exceed five pounds.

THE ROADS ACT, 1920.

COUNTY OF THE EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE.

Whereas by sub-section (4) of Section 7 of the Roads Act, 1920, it is enacted that the Minister of Transport may, by order on the application of any county council (as defined in Section 17 of the Act) after holding a public inquiry, prohibit or restrict, subject to such exceptions or conditions as to occasional user or otherwise as may be specified in the Order, the driving of mechanically-propelled vehicles of any specified class on any specified highway within the area of the council in any case in which it appears to him, as the result of the inquiry, to be proved that a vehicle of that class cannot be used on that highway without endangering the safety of the vehicle or the persons therein or of other traffic using the