

receiving the same, enter into an agreement to return the Medal if his name shall be erased as aforesaid.

And it is Our Will and Pleasure that these Statutes shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, this *Fourteenth* day of *January*, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in the sixteenth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

W. Joynson-Hicks.

*Crown Office,
House of Lords,
25th January, 1926.*

Days and places fixed for holding the Winter Assizes, 1926:—

SOUTH EASTERN CIRCUIT
(2nd Portion).

Mr. Justice HORRIDGE.

Saturday, February 13th, at Hertford.
Thursday, February 18th, at Maidstone.
Saturday, February 27th, at Guildford.
Saturday, March 6th, at Lewes.

NORTH EASTERN CIRCUIT.

Mr. Justice ACTON.

Mr. Justice BRANSON.

Tuesday, February 16th, at Newcastle.
Tuesday, February 23rd, at Durham.
Tuesday, March 2nd, at York.
Monday, March 8th, at Leeds.

NOTICE.

COLONIAL STOCK ACT 1900 (63 AND 64
VIC., c. 62).

ADDITION TO LIST OF STOCKS UNDER SECTION 2.

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Colonial Stock Act, 1900, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that the provisions of the Act have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned Stock registered or inscribed in the United Kingdom:—

South Australia 5 per cent. Registered Stock 1945-1975 (including the stock gazetted on the 21st November under the title South Australia 5 per cent. Conversion Loan 1945-75).

The restrictions mentioned in Section 2 Sub-section (1) of the Trustee Act 1925 apply to the above Stock (see Colonial Stock Act 1900, Section 2).

Whitehall, January 14, 1926.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal to Donald Fletcher, a miner employed at the Creswell Colliery, Derbyshire, in the following circumstances:—

On September 10th, 1925, a heavy fall of roof to a depth of 16 feet took place at the Creswell Colliery in Derbyshire completely burying a miner named Cooper. Some of the

larger pieces of the roof became interlocked affording him some protection from the full weight of the fall and thus prevented his being crushed to death. Efforts were made to discover where Cooper lay and it was found that his head was near the edge of the fall so that it was possible to free it from debris. His shoulders were next freed but his body and legs were held fast. The only way in which Cooper could be extricated was that someone should crawl under the debris and by working a passage alongside and over Cooper release him very gradually and stone by stone. Fletcher at once volunteered for this task and was successful after two hours' continuous work. Great patience and skill were required, and in the course of the work Fletcher's body was completely under the fall with his head close to Cooper's feet. Throughout the operation Fletcher was exposed to the risk of being crushed to death either by a second fall or by a settling down of the first fall, and he performed his task skilfully without regarding his own safety. Fletcher's action was a very brave one involving great risk to his own life and, indeed, in the latter stages of the work his position was more dangerous than Cooper's.

TRANSFER OF DESFORD AUXILIARY HOME FROM 132, HIGHCROSS STREET, LEICESTER, TO "WINTHORPE," 84, WESTCOTES DRIVE, LEICESTER.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, that the Managers of the Desford Boys' School have resigned the Certificate granted under the Children Act, 1908, in respect of the Desford Auxiliary Home at 132, Highcross Street, Leicester, and have removed the Home to premises known as "Winthorpe," 84, Westcotes Drive, Leicester.

The Secretary of State has issued a Certificate under the provisions of the Children Act, 1908, that the latter premises are fitted to be an Auxiliary Home for the reception of boys sent thereto from English Certified Industrial Schools for Protestant Boys. The Certificate, which bears date the 23rd January, 1926, provides that the number of boys resident in the said Home at any one time, whether sent thereto from Industrial Schools or otherwise, shall not exceed twenty-two.

Whitehall,

25th January, 1926.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACTS.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice, that on the 20th instant he made an Order under the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, for the Administrative County of Kent.

Copies of the Order may be purchased through any bookseller or directly from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses:— Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C. 2; and 28, Abingdon Street, London, S.W. 1; York Street, Manchester; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; and 120, George Street, Edinburgh.

Whitehall,

22nd January, 1926.