

*Privy Council Office,
28th June, 1926.*

Notice is hereby given, that a Petition of the Solicitors' Managing Clerks' Association, praying for the grant of a CHARTER OF INCORPORATION to the said Association, under the name of "The Chartered Institute of Solicitors' Managing Clerks," has been presented to His Majesty in Council; and, His Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, Notice is further given, that all Petitions for or against such grant should be delivered at the Privy Council Office on or before the 30th day of July next.

*Lord Chancellor's Office,
House of Lords, S.W. 1.
29th June, 1926.*

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that after the expiration of at least 40 days from the date hereof, the Committee established under section 2 of the Indictments Act, 1915, propose to make Rules pursuant to section 19 (4) of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925, which gives power to dispense with grand jury at Quarter Sessions where all persons committed have pleaded guilty.

Notice is further given that under section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, the said Committee have on account of urgency made the above Rules to come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1926, as Provisional Rules.

Copies of the above Draft and Provisional Rules which may be cited as the Grand Juries (Dispensation at Quarter Sessions) Rules, 1926, may be obtained from any bookseller or directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—Adastral House, Kingsway, W.C. 2; Abingdon Street, London, S.W. 1; York Street, Manchester; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; or 120, George Street, Edinburgh.

Whitehall, June 22, 1926.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal in Silver to George Coleman, and the Edward Medal to John George Cordey and Samuel Graham, employed by the Newport Abercarn Black Vein Steam Coal Company Limited, in the following circumstances:—

On March 8th, 1926, in the course of operations at the North Celynen Colliery in Monmouthshire a fall of roof to the extent of twenty tons occurred almost completely burying two colliers who were at work. Efforts were made to erect timber supports over the buried men but great care and skill were necessary in order to avoid further falls. A second fall of five tons did, indeed, take place while Coleman, the District Ambulance man, was in the act of fixing a timber. He realised that this was essential to the protection of the buried men but remained to complete his task and was himself pinned down by the fall. He was released after being buried for ten minutes and a further fall of ten tons occurred. Coleman with the help of Graham, Cordey and

three other men continued the work of rescue until Coleman was pinned down by a heap of earth, being so badly bruised that he could continue his task no longer. Both the buried men were eventually extricated alive but one of them unfortunately succumbed to his injuries.

Coleman was undoubtedly the outstanding figure in the rescue work. His persistent courage certainly saved the life of one of the entombed men and contributed largely to the rescue of the other. He risked his own life for over six hours in the work of rescue and displayed exceptional skill and bravery in all he did. Graham and Cordey both exhibited courage of a very high order. Their lives were in constant danger from the continuous falls and in addition to their bravery they gave a remarkable exhibition of coolness and determination.

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 on two day-shifts of women of 18 and young persons of 16 years of age and over in examining and packing artificial silk at the works of The British Enka Artificial Silk Co., Ltd., Clayton Square, Liverpool, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks; and that suitable cloakroom accommodation and facilities for washing, obtaining meals, and for sitting, shall be provided.

*Whitehall,
25th June, 1926.*

*Downing Street,
21st May, 1926.*

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of George Edouard Nairac, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be of His Majesty's Counsel for the Colony of Mauritius.

*Admiralty, 23rd June, 1926.
R.N.R.*

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration to the following officers:—

Lieut.-Comdr. H. J. Miller.
Lieut.-Comdr. K. Paterson.
Lieut.-Comdr. H. Schofield.
Lieut.-Comdr. A. T. Yardley, D.S.C.
Lieut.-Comdr. G. D. T. Tunbridge.

R.N.V.R.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Officers' Decoration to the following officers:—

Lieut.-Comdr. F. D. Bangay.
Paymr. Comdr. J. F. Carson, O.B.E.,
C.A.