Bank of England have represented to him that it is in their opinion expedient that the amount of the fiduciary note issue be maintained at 275 million pounds, to which it was increased under the authority of Treasury Minute dated the 1st August, 1931, and subsequent Minutes concluding with the Minute of the 30th September, 1932. He proposes accordingly that the authority to the Bank to issue fiduciary bank notes to the total amount of 275 million pounds should be further extended until the 31st March, 1933.

My Lords approve and direct that the Bank

of England be notified accordingly.

Let a copy of this Minute be laid before both Houses of Parliament under Section 8, subsection (3) of the Currency and Bank Notes Act 1928.

Treasury Chambers, 31st December, 1932.

Whitehall, December 30, 1932.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 24th instant, to appoint Paul Ernest Sandlands, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Recorder of the City of Leicester.

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 years of age and over in attending sewing machines and in upholstering, in the Trimming Department at the works of the Swallow Coachbuilding Company, Limited, Swallow Road, Coventry, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable accommodation for clothing put off during working hours, messroom accommodation and washing facilities shall be provided.

Whitehall, 31st December, 1932.

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 the inspection, re-polishing, edge grinding and polishing, cleaning, transport, and stores and packing departments at the works of "Triplex" (Northern) Ltd., Eccleston, St. Helens, Lancashire, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation and washing facilities shall be provided.

2nd January, 1933.

Whitehall,

Factory Department, Home Office, December 31, 1932.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. H. G. Davies to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Llanidloes District of the County of Montgomery.

> Factory Department, Home Office, December 8, 1932.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. F. V. Squires to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Wantage District of the County of Berkshire.

> Scottish Office, Whitehall, S.W.1. · 30th December, 1932.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 21st instant, to appoint, with effect from the 6th January, 1933, George Brown, Esquire, M.B.E., Advocate, presently Sheriff Substitute of the Sheriffdom of Caithness, Orkney and Zetland, at Kirkwall, to be Sheriff Substitute of the Sheriffdom of Ross, Cromarty and Sutherland, at Dingwall, in the room of the Honourable Huntly Douglas Gordon, Esquire, resigned.

> Board of Trade, Mercantile Marine Department, Great George Street, S.W.1. 2nd January, 1933.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice under the General Rules for Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties and Appeals and Rehearings, 1923, that they have received during the month of December, 1932, Reports of Formal Investigations, held by Courts in His Majesty's dominions, into the circumstances attending casualties to the following vessels:-

- M.V. "Oakbank".
   M.V. "Alma R".

Board of Trade, Great George Street, London, S.W.1. 30th December, 1932.

MERCHANDISE MARKS ACT, 1926.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE. PRINTING BLOCKS.

With reference to the notice which was published in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes of the 29th April, 1932, regarding a reference made by the Board of Trade to the