January, 1939, there shall be chargeable in lieu of the rates fixed by the Treasury Minute of the 4th August, 1937, the following rates of interest:

I.—Housing Loans.

Rate of Interest. Per cent. (1) Loans to Local Authorities secured on Local Rates for any purpose of the Housing Acts and the Housing (Rural Workers) Acts, 1926 and 1931. Any period 33 (2) Loans to Housing Associations as defined by the Housing Act, 1936, and the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1935. Not exceeding 30 years 3₹ Not exceeding 50 years (3) To Companies and Private Persons limiting their profits to the rate for the time being prescribed. Not exceeding 30 years Not exceeding 40 years 3₹ (4) To Companies and Private Persons not limiting their profits as aforesaid. Not exceeding 30 years Not exceeding 40 years II.—OTHER LOANS. (1) Loans to Local Authorities for any purposes of the Small Holdings Acts, 1908 to and Allotments 1926, and the Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1925. Any period 33 (2) Other Loans secured on Local Not exceeding 30 years 3₹ Not exceeding 50 years ... on Local (3) Loans not secured rates:-(a) Loans under the Harbours and Tolls, Passing etc., Act, 1861: (i) With collateral security: -Not exceeding 30 years 31 Not exceeding 50 years ... (ii) Without collateral security:— Not exceeding 30 years Not exceeding 50 years (b) Other Loans not secured on Local Rates (except Loans to Territorial Associations, which, under Section 6 of the Public Works Loans Act, 1908, bear interest at the rate prescribed for loans on the security of Local Rates): Not exceeding 30 years ... Not exceeding 50 years ...

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

Treasury Chambers.

 The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Bill Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 6th January, 1939, at I o'clock, for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the War Loan Acts, 1914-1919, to the amount of £25,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000 or

f10,000. They will be dated at the option of the Tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 9th January, 1939, to Saturday, the 14th January, 1939, inclusive, and will be payable at three months after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the

Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London

Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same not later than the following day, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of Cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 2 o'clock (Saturday 12 o'clock) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be

7. In virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (4) of the War Loan Act, 1919, Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers, 30th December, 1938.

> Foreign Office, October 24, 1938.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint: --

Edwin Arthur Chapman-Andrews, Esquire, O.B.E., to be an Assistant Oriental Secretary in His Majesty's Embassy at Cairo.

Foreign Office, December 9, 1938.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:

Herbert Alexander Macrae, Esquire, M.B.E., to be Commercial Secretary, First Grade, attached to His Majesty's Embassy at Tokyo, with effect from 1st July, 1938.

> Foreign Office, December 16, 1938.

The KING has been pleased to approve

Monsieur F. Gobert, as Consul-General of Belgium for British Guiana and the islands of Trinidad and Tobago;

Mr. Kiyoshi Uchiyama, as Consul-General of

Japan in London;