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BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

Appointing Wednesday the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, a bank holiday throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland for the purposes of the Bank Holidays Act, 1871.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS We consider it desirable, in the circumstances of the present emergency, that Wednesday the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, shall be kept as a close holiday in all banks in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and shall, as regards bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in England, Wales or Northern Ireland, be deemed to be a bank holiday for all the purposes of the Bank Holidays Act, 1871:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section four of the said Act, We do by this Our Royal Proclamation, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, appoint the said first day of January to be observed as a bank holiday throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

And We do declare that this Proclamation does not have the effect of making the said day a holiday under, or for the purposes of, the Holidays Extension Act, 1875.

Given at Our Court at *Buckingham Palace*, this fourth day of *December*, in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and forty, and in the fourth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Privy Council Office,
6th December, 1940.

NAVAL AND MARINE PAY AND PENSIONS ACT, 1865.

Notice is hereby given that His Majesty in Council was pleased, on the 4th December, 1940, to approve a Memorial from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty under the above-mentioned Act, making certain alterations in the rates and conditions of payment of allowances to dependants of seamen, marines and reservists serving during the present war.

Copies of the said Order, when published, may be purchased directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:— York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; 26, York Street, Manchester 1; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby given notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 13th December, 1940, at 1 p.m., for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939 and 1940, to the amount of £65,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the Tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 16th December, 1940, to Saturday, the 21st December, 1940,