Treasury Chambers. Whitehall. S. W.

15 October, 1920.

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With reference to your letter of the 11th October the Order in Council which has been gazetted is strictly in accordance with the Sex-Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919, which provides that "His Majesty may by Order in Council authorise "regulations to be made providing for and prescribing "the mode of the admission of women to the Civil Service "and conditions on which women admitted to that Service "may be appointed or continue to hold posts therein."

The Order in Council is, therefore, merely preliminary to regulations still to be made and these regulations, when made, will have precisely the same validity as they would have had if they had been embodied in an Order in Council. The draft regulations are Lik kind regards

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now in course of preparation.