

ULSTER PROCLAMATION.

The Ulster Government has issued a proclamation stating that a state of emergency exists in Northern Ireland.

CHIEF CIVIL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT ON THE GENERAL SITUATION.

London & The Home Counties. Things are generally quiet. On Thursday 4 arrests were made in Finsbury, 5 in Bow, 23 in Hammer-smith and 4 in Camberwell. In connection with the latter, sentences of from 14 days to 4 months hard labour were passed in Greenwich Police Court.

The Fulham Electric Light Company's men have come out. A Part is being run at present by the hire staff, and volunteers are being obtained.

~~Water incident.~~ Petrol lorries were stopped in the east of Stamford-le-Hope yesterday morning by a picket who had blocked the road, and compelled the driver to turn back. Three men have been arrested in connection with this.

Gravesend reports all quiet. The working men at the power station have come out. Engineers are carrying on.

A number of works have closed down in Kent. About 50 men, mostly of the East Surrey Company's Bus service attempted to interfere with the Maidstone District Company near Farningham, but were dispersed on arrival of the Police. All electric power stations are out, but volunteers are carrying on well. There are adequate supplies of fuel.

The Steamship "Lindhart" was discharged by volunteers today.

Generally speaking all is quiet, except for considerable interference in traffic.

RE SPECIAL CONSTABLES. The Home Secretary, in a special message broadcast from London last night, said that while he was delighted with the response for special constables, which had brought in 20,000 men, in London alone, he was particularly anxious to increase this number to 50,000 by Monday morning. This appeal applied to every City, Borough and County throughout the country.

FURTHER DISTURBANCES IN GLASGOW. Last night there was a renewal of disturbances in Glasgow, in the east end: up to midnight 48 arrests had been made.

MAIL BOAT LEAVES FOR IRELAND. For the first time since Monday the L N & S. mailboat left Holyhead for Kingstown last evening. She had an abnormal number of letters, and a large passenger list. The journey up from Roston was made without incident.

SPANISH COAL FOR BRITISH SHIPS. A Madrid newspaper stated that the Spanish Government, as a further proof of the spirit of amity existing between Spain and Britain, had ordered that all British steamers in Spanish Ports shall be given every facility for obtaining coal supplies.

SHIP SAILINGS. Undisturbed by the strike, three large passenger liners are sailing from Capetown for England.