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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1889.

*Chancery of the Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George,
Downing Street, September 11, 1889.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

The Right Honourable the Earl of Hopetoun, on appointment to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Victoria.

Downing Street, September 10, 1889.

THE Queen has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of John Symonds Udal, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Attorney-General for the Colony of Fiji.

*Education Department, Whitehall,
September 11, 1889.*

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the compulsory formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Poulton-cum-Seacombe Chester

BY virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King George III, intituled "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts made in the tenth and fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty, as authorizes the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out writs for the election of Members to serve in Parliament, in the manner therein mentioned, and for substituting other provisions for the like purposes;" and of an Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to further limit and define the time for proceeding to Election during the Recess:—"

I do hereby give notice, that the death of J. F. Bottomley Firth, Esq., late a Member serving in this present Parliament for the Borough of Dundee, hath been certified to me in writing, under the hands of two Members

serving in this present Parliament; and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Dundee at the end of six days after the insertion of this notice in the London Gazette.

Given under my hand this eleventh day of September, 1889.

ARTHUR W. PEEL, Speaker.

Admiralty, 10th September, 1889.

Staff Commander James Cole has this day been promoted to the rank of Staff Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—Fleet Surgeon Stephen Sweetnam has this day been placed on the Retired List, at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets.

Admiralty, 12th September, 1889.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Navigating Lieutenant Charles George John Cater has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 5th September, 1889.

Lieutenant Edward Carey Tyndale-Biscoe has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 6th September, 1889.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
13th September, 1889.*

Royal Artillery, Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel William Walpole Murdoch, having completed five years' service as a Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, has been placed on half-pay, under the provisions of Article 78 of the Royal Warrant of 15th November, 1887. Dated 27th August, 1889.

Major William Robert Prickett has retired from the service, receiving a gratuity. Dated 14th August, 1889.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Napier Pearse, from half-pay, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice E. R. Cottingham, retired. Dated 13th August, 1889.