the county of Norfolk having represented unto us that the said benefices being contiguous to each other and of which the aggregate population does not exceed one thousand five hundred persons may with advantage to the interests of religion be united into one benefice, we enquired into the circumstances of the case.

"That on such enquiry it appeared to us that such union might be usefully made and is not of inconvenient extent and that the Right Horourable Henry Alexander Gordon Earl of Effingham of Tusmore House Bicester in the county of Oxford being the patron or person enlittled to present to the rectory of Forncett Saint Mary and also to the rectory of Forncett Saint Peter if the same respectively were now vacant con-

sents to the proposed union.

"That six weeks and upwards before certifying such enquiry and consent to Your Majesty in Council we caused a copy in writing of the aforesaid representation of the Lord Bishop to be affixed to the principal outer door of the parish church of each of the said benefices with notice to any person or persons interested that he she or they might within such six weeks show cause in writing under his her or their hand or hands to us the said Archbishop against such union and no sufficient cause has been shown.

"The representation of the said Lord Bishop of Norwich, our enquiry into the circumstances of the case, the statement of circumstances in reply thereto, the consent in writing of the said patron and the copies of the representation and notices before mentioned are hereunto annexed.

"And we do hereby certify the enquiry and cousent aforesaid to Your Majesty in Council, to the intent that Your Majesty in Council may in case Your Majesty in Council shall think fit so to do make and issue an Order for uniting the said benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for "F. Cantuar." ecclesiastical purposes."

Now, therefore, His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the rectory of Forncett Saint Mary, situate in the county of Norfolk and diocese of Norwich, and the rectory of Forncett Saint Peter, situate in the same county and diocese, shall be united into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes only. A. W. FitzRoy.

> Privy Council Office, August 15, 1902. MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1894.

Notice is hereby given that, after the expira-tion of forty days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to His Majesty in Council, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, the draft of an Order in Council approving Rules for the Navigation of Lake Windermere.

And notice is hereby further given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies. of the proposed draft Order in Council can be obtained by any public body, within forty days of the date of this notice, at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

Crown Office,

August 15, 1902. The KING has been pleased by several Letters Patent under the Great Seal to appoint:-The Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour to

be Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal.

The Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour; The Right Honourable Charles Thomson Ritchie, and Henry Torrens Anstruther, Esq.; · The Honourable Ailwyn Edward Fellowes, and Henry William Forster, Esq., to be Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

The Right Honourable Charles Thomson Ritchie to be Chancellor and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer.

The Right Honourable William Humble, Earl of Dudley, to be Lieutenant-General and Governor-General of Ireland; and

General of Ireland; and The Rigit Honourable Joseph Austen-Chamber: lain to be His Majesty's Postmaster-General:

Whitehall, August 14, 1902.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to grant the dignity of a Knight of the said United Kingdom unio each of the undermentioned Gentlemen:

Edward Albert Stone, Esq., Chief Justice of the State of Western Australia.

The Honourable Arthur Rutledge, K.C., Attorney-

General of the State of Queensland.
The Honourable Henry Norman MacLaurin, LL.D., M.D., M.A., Chancellor of the University of Sydney, and Member of the Legislative Council of the State of New South Wales.

Heuri Elzéar Taschereau, Esq., K.C., LL.D Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honourable Adye Douglas, President of the Legislative Council of the State of Tasmania.

The Honourable John Lancelot Stirling, LL.B., President of the Legislative Council of the State of South Australia.

The Honourable Edward D'Alton Shea, President of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Newfoundland.

The Honourable Robert Boak, President of the Legislative Council of the Province of Nova

Scotia, in the Dominion of Canada.
William Russell Russell, Esq., Member of the
House of Representatives of the Colony of New Zealand.

John Logan Campbell, Esq., M.D., late Mayor of Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand.

Whitehall, August 15, 1902.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 15th instant, to appoint William Cospatrick Dunbar, Esq., C.B., to be Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England, in the room of Reginald Macleod, Esq., C.B., who, on that day was appointed to the office of Under Secretary for Scotland.

THE GRAND PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN OF JERU-

SALEM IN ENGLAND.

Chancery of the Order, 'Chancery of St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, London, E.C. 18th August, 1902.

The KING has been graciously pleased to sanction the following appointments to the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England;

Knight of Justice. Norman Hay Forbes, Esq., F.R.C.S. Edin. (from Knight of Grace).

Knights of Grace. François Donald Mackenzie, Esq. (from Esquire). Arthur James, Esq. The

William Vesey Harrel, Esq. (from Esquire). Colonel the Honourable Sir Frederick William Borden, K.C.M.G. (from Honorary Associate).

Ladies of Grace.

Helen Mrs. Man Stuart. Louisa Jane, Mrs. Herbert Campbell (from Honorary Associate).

Her Grace Adeline Marie, Duchess of Bedford.