

Order of the Rising Sun, Sixth Class.

Mr. Samuel James George Parsons, Captain in the Nippon Yusen Kwaisha.
 Mr. William Edyvean Filmér, Captain in the Toyo Kisen Kwaisha.
 Mr. Davis Crowe, Employé in the Mitsu Bishi Dockyard at Nagasaki.
 Mr. Joseph Sutherland, Chief Officer in the Nippon Yusen Kwaisha.
 Mr. Francis Harry Fegen, Chief Officer in the Nippon Yusen Kwaisha.

Order of the Sacred Treasure, Fifth Class.

Mr. Alexander Keith, Captain in the Nippon Yusen Kwaisha.

Order of the Sacred Treasure, Sixth Class.

Mr. George Anderson, Captain in the Nippon Yusen Kwaisha.

Downing Street,
 December 4, 1908.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Thomas Hutton Mills, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Gold Coast Colony.

Foreign Office,
 October 30, 1908.

The KING has been pleased to approve of—
 Cavaliere Antonio Pittaluga as Consul of Italy at Calcutta.

Foreign Office,
 November 18, 1908.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—
 Lieutenant Charles Braithwaite Wallis to be His Majesty's Consul-General for Liberia, to reside at Monrovia.

Foreign Office,
 November 21, 1908.

The KING has been pleased to approve of—
 Señor Don Lino Clemente Herrera as Consul-General of Panama at Hong-Kong.

Foreign Office,
 November 23, 1908.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—
 George Kellard, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Islands of Saint Thomas and Sainte Croix, to reside at Saint Thomas.

Foreign Office,
 November 25, 1908.

The KING has been pleased to approve of—
 Mr. H. van Oordt van Lauwenrecht as Consul of the Netherlands at Cape Town for Cape Colony.

Foreign Office,
 November 26, 1908.

The KING has been pleased to approve of—
 M. J. Tratsaert as Vice-Consul of Belgium at Forget, with Consular Jurisdiction over the part of the Province of Saskatchewan comprising the Districts of Cannington, Grenfell, Moosomin, Souris, Whitewood and Wolseley.

Foreign Office,
 November 28, 1908.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

The Right Honourable Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, G.C.M.G.; Sir Alexander Hosie, Kt.; William Lyon Mackenzie King, Esq., C.M.G.; James Bennett Brunyate, Esq., I.C.S.; and Robert Laidlaw, Esq., M.P., to be His Majesty's Commissioners on the Joint Commission which is to meet at Shanghai on February 1, 1909, to investigate the opium trade and the opium habit in the Far East.

Foreign Office,
 December 1, 1908.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

The Right Honourable Sir James Rennell Rodd, G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., C.B., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to His Majesty the King of Italy.

Crown Office,
 December 2, 1908.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present
 PARLIAMENT.

County of Essex, Mid or Chelmsford Division.

Ernest George Pretyma, Esq., in the place of Major Sir Frederic Carne Rasch, Bart., who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.