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FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1910.

Westminster, April 29, 1910.

This day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910.

Army (Annual) Act, 1910.

Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1910.

Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1910.

Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1910.

Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Act, 1910.

Mersey Railway Act, 1910.

Wicklow Gas Act, 1910.

Bankers Guarantee and Trust Fund Incorporation Act, 1910.

City of Dublin Steam Packet Company's Act, 1910.

Stratford-upon-Avon and Midland Junction Railway (Various Powers) Act, 1910.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, March 30, 1910.

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following appointment to the Royal Victorian Order :-

To be Honorary Member of the Fifth Class: Lieutenant Gerbard Franz Eugen Pretzell, Adjutant of the 5th (Prince Blücher von Wahlstatt) Hussar Regiment.

Whitehall, April 27, 1910.

The KING was pleased, on the 19th February last, to order a Congé d'Élire to pass the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, empowering the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Norwich to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the resigna-tion of the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor John Sheepshanks, late Bishop thereof, and declared vacant by His Majesty's Order in Council; and His Majesty was also pleased to recommend to the said Dean and Chapter the Reverend Bertram Pollock, D.D., C.V.O., Master of Wellington College, to be by them elected Bishop of the said See of Norwich.

Whitehall, April 27, 1910.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 27th instant, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Sir John Poynder Dickson-Poynder, Baronet, Governor Designate of the Dominion of New Zealand, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Islington of Islington in the County of London.

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