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TUESDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 1945

*Lord Chamberlain's Office,
St. James's Palace, S.W.1.*

16th October, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir John Berkeley Monck, K.C.V.O., C.M.G., Vice-Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps, to be His Majesty's Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps, in the room of Lieutenant-General Sir George Sidney Clive, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., resigned.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General Sir George Sidney Clive, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., to be an Extra Equerry to His Majesty.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office,
St. James's Palace, S.W.1.*

16th October, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Francis Aungier, *Baton Pakenham*, to be a Lord in Waiting to His Majesty, in the room of the Most Honourable Oswald Constantine John, Marquess of Normanby, M.B.E.; resigned.

The appointment to date from the 15th October, 1945.

*Crown Office, House of Lords,
15th October, 1945.*

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Rev. Ralph Guild Davison to the Vicarage of Holy Trinity, Taunton, in the County of Somerset and Diocese of Bath and Wells, void by the cession of the last Incumbent and in His Majesty's Gift for this turn only by reason of the avoidance of the See of Bath and Wells.

*Crown Office, House of Lords,
15th October, 1945.*

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Rev. Thomas Hugh Roberts, B.A., to the Vicarage of King Sterndale, in the County of Derby and Diocese of Derby, void by the resignation of the last Incumbent and in His Majesty's Gift for this turn only by reason of lapse.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby announce that They have made an Order under Section 20 of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1940, entitled The Purchase Tax (Alteration of Rates) (No. 4) Order, 1945, directing that as from the 29th day of October, 1945, Purchase Tax on hand-made knotted carpets, rugs and mats shall be reduced from 100 per cent. to 33½ per cent.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders No. 1272 and may be purchased, price 1d. net, direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a Castle

Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Foreign Office, 15th October, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):— Sir Francis Hugh William Stonehewer-Bird, K.C.M.G., O.B.E., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Bagdad (28th March, 1945);

John Hurleston Leche, Esquire, C.M.G., O.B.E., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Santiago (11th August, 1945); and

Walter St. Clair Howland Roberts, Esquire, C.M.G., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Lima (16th August, 1945).

Foreign Office, 15th October, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):— Herbert Alfred Newton Bluett, Esquire, O.B.E., to be an Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Foreign Service (25th January, 1945);

Captain John William Taylor, M.B.E., to be Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Prague (1st March, 1945);

Eric Ralph Lingeman, Esquire, to be Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Athens (4th March, 1945);

Charles Empson, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Cairo (1st April, 1945);

John Bewley Greaves, Esquire, O.B.E., to be Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Washington (1st July, 1945);

John Percival Summerscale, Esquire, to be Acting Counsellor (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Washington (1st July, 1945);

George Clinton Pelham, Esquire, to be Acting First Secretary (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Bagdad (8th March, 1945);

Frank Henry Todd, Esquire, to be Acting First Secretary (Commercial) in His Majesty's Embassy at Belgrade (12th March, 1945); and

William Gerald Bruzard, Esquire, to be Acting First Secretary in His Majesty's Embassy at Lima (6th July, 1945).

Foreign Office, 15th October, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):— Robert Parr, Esquire, C.M.G., O.B.E., to be His Majesty's Consul-General at Lyons (2nd December, 1944); and

Joseph Robinson, Esquire, to be His Majesty's Consul for the Republic of Honduras, to reside at Tegucigalpa (7th April, 1945).