enough to communicate with the Lord Chamberlain at St. James' Palace, when they will each be furnished with a card of admission for use at the Levée.

The names, both for attendance and presentation, must be received at the various Offices above indicated not later than eight days prior to the date of each Levée.

Acknowledgment of applications will not be made, but cards of admission will be sent as soon as possible to the addresses given.

CLARENDON, Lord Chamberlain.

## CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE.

DOWNING STREET, April 14, 1905.

The King, as Sovereign and Chief of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, has been graciously pleased, by Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, to appoint His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., I.S.O., to be Grand Master of the said Most Distinguished Order.

# CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, ST. JAMES' PALACE, April 17, 1905.

EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, and Sovereign of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath—

To all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting :

Whereas, Her late Majesty Queen Victoria by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, bearing date the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, did give directions for the method of appointing Members of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

And whereas We are desirous of making certain alterations in such method of appointment.

Now know ye that We of Our especial grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion do hereby direct and ordain that, notwithstanding anything in the said Letters Patent contained, the signification of Our pleasure by Our signature on a submission made to Us in the manner heretofore accustomed and notified to Our Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood, shall be the full and final authority to the Great Master of the said Order to prepare the Grant of Dignity to the Member of the said Order.

In witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

Witness Ourself at Westminster, the twenty-second day of March, in the fifth year of Our Reign.

By Warrant under the King's Sign Manual.

Muir Mackenzie.

FOREIGN OFFICE, March 10, 1905.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir Maurice William Ernest de Bussen, K.C.V.O., C.B., to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves. (This appointment is to date from 6th March 1905.)

#### WHITEHALL, April 15, 1905.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Adam Block, Esq., C.M.G., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Grand Cordon of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, conferred upon him by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him to His Imperial Majesty as President of the Council of Administration of the Ottoman Public Debt, and as Delegate of the British and Dutch Bondholders.

### WHITEHALL, April 17, 1905.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto the under-mentioned Officers and Gentlemen His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear decorations (as stated against their respective names), which have been conferred upon them by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered to His Highness:—

Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, Third Class.

Captain Robert Byron Drury Blakeney, D.S.O., R.E., Traffic Manager on the Egyptian State Railways.

William Cossar Mackenzie, Esq., Principal of the Egyptain Polytechnic School of Engineering and of the School of Agriculture.

Imperial Ottoman Order of the Osmanieh, Fourth Class.

Cecil Longueville Snow, Esq., Staff Inspector in the Egyptain Coastguard Service.

Imperial Ottoman Order of the Medjidieh, Fourth Class.

Captain Alfred Chevallier Parker, Royal Sussex Regiment.

Graham Campbell Kerr, Esq., Inspector under the Soudan Government.

### WHITEHALL, April 17, 1905.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Arthur George Milton Dickson, Esq., formerly Manager and General Inspector of Branches of the Ionian Bank in Greece, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Cross of "Officier" of the Royal Order of the Redeemer, conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of the Hellenes, in recognition of valuable services rendered to His Majesty.