

30. It is ordained that the Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod of this Most Excellent Order shall be appointed by us, Our heirs and successors, shall wear around his neck pendent to a purple riband an escocheon of gold enamelled on a field purpure a representation of Britannia surrounded by the circle and motto of the Order and surmounted by an Imperial Crown, and that he shall carry the Purple Rod of the Order, having at the top an escrol thereon the motto of the Order surmounted by a representation of Britannia.

31. It is ordained that all and every of the officials of this Order shall over and above the duties more specially imposed by the foregoing Statutes execute diligently whatever the Sovereign or Grand Master may be pleased to command touching the interests of the said Order, and that the said Offices of Prelate, King of Arms, Registrar, Secretary, and Gentleman Usher shall be holden during good behaviour.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these Statutes and Regulations or any part thereof by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the Order.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the Twelfth day of April 1918, in the Eighth Year of Our Reign.

By HIS MAJESTY'S COMMAND.

GEO. CAVE.

THE GRAND PRIORY OF THE ORDER
OF THE HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN OF
JERUSALEM IN ENGLAND.

*Chancery of the Order,
St. John's Gate,
Clerkenwell, London, E.C. 1,
6th July 1918.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to sanction the following promotions in, and appointments to, the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England:—

As Knights of Grace.

Major-General Robert Arundel Kerr Montgomery, C.B., D.S.O.

Robert Septimus Gardiner.

John Caldwell Uthoff, M.D., F.R.C.S. (from Honorary Serving Brother).

Major John Murray Reddie, C.B.

Edward Ansell.

Ernest Bruce Charles, K.C.

As Ladies of Grace.

Katharine, the Honble. Mrs. Corbet.

Marie Carola, Lady Galway.

Emily Colby (Milly), Lady Perley.

As Esquires.

Lieutenant Andrew Edmund James Clark, M.C., R.A.

Frederick John Coward (from Honorary Serving Brother).

Scottish Office, Whitehall,

11th July 1918.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual bearing date the 10th day of July 1918, to appoint Mr. George Checkley to be a Macer in the Court of Session in Scotland, in the room of Mr. John Currie, retired.

Whitehall, July 9, 1918.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon the Right Honourable Sir William Douglas Weir, Knight, Secretary of State for the Royal Air Force, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Weir, of Eastwood, in the county of Renfrew.

Whitehall, July 9, 1918.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Colonel Sir Arthur Hamilton Lee, G.B.E., K.C.B., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Lee of Fareham, of Chequers, in the county of Buckingham.

Whitehall, July 9, 1918.

Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland conferring the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon Alec Black of Louth Park, in the county of Lincoln, Esquire, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

COAL MINES ACT, 1911.

The Home Secretary has made an Order amending the Order of the 27th February 1912 (which prescribes the qualifications of Collieries' Surveyors under the Coal Mines Act, 1911), and providing that a manager's first-class certificate of competency shall not qualify the holder as surveyor for the purposes of the Act unless it was endorsed in the prescribed manner before the 1st January 1919.

Home Office, Whitehall,

8th July 1918.

Admiralty, 8th July 1918.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Albert Medal to

Captain George Parker Bevan, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.N.,

for gallantry in saving life at sea.

The following is the account of the services in