

administration of the Marine Department of the Board of Trade; the functions of the Courts before whom Wreck Inquiries are conducted; the condition and efficiency of Merchant Officers and Seamen; and the best means of improving the same:

Now know ye, that We have revoked and determined, and do by these presents revoke and determine, the said Warrants, and every matter and thing therein contained.

And whereas We have deemed it expedient that a new Commission should issue for the purposes specified in the first-mentioned Warrant, dated the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four:

Further know ye, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your ability and discretion, have appointed, and do by these presents nominate, constitute, and appoint you, the said George John Shaw Lefevre, Joseph Chamberlain, Sir Astley Cooper Key, Edward Heneage, Sir Charles Parker Butt, Sir John Eldon Gorst, John Aste, Thomas Charles Baring, Thomas Burt, Henry Green, James Kennedy, George Alexander Laws, James McGregor, Henry Watson Parker, William Pearce, Thomas Bland Royden, Lawrence Douglas Smith, Leonard Charles Wakefield, William Walton, and John Warrack, to be Our Commissioners to inquire into the extent and cause of the Loss of Ships and Lives at Sea since the Report of Our Commission on Unseaworthy Ships, and for any of the purposes set forth in the original Warrant under Our Sign Manual, dated the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

And for the purpose of carrying out the said enquiry, We do hereby authorize and empower you, or any five or more of you, to call before you, or any five or more of you, all such persons as you shall judge most competent by reason of their situation, knowledge, or experience to afford you correct information on the matters submitted for your consideration, and every matter connected therewith, and also to call for, have access to, and examine, all such books, documents, registers, and records as you shall judge likely to afford you the fullest information on the subject of this Our Commission, and to enquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do further by these presents authorize and empower you, or any five or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places in Our United Kingdom as you may deem expedient for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes of this Our Commission, and to employ such persons as you may think fit to assist you in conducting any enquiry which you may hold:

And We do by these presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our Commissioners, or any five or more of you, may, from time to time, proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you, or any five or more of you, may have liberty to report to Us your proceedings under this Our Commission, from time to time, if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And We further ordain, that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us, under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any five or more of you, your opinion upon the matters submitted for your consideration.

And for your assistance in the execution of

this Our Commission, We have made choice of Our trusty and well-beloved Robert Anderson, Esq., Doctor of Laws, Barrister-at-Law, to be Secretary to this Our Commission, and to attend you, whose services and assistance We require you to use from time to time as occasion shall require.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the fourth day of *March*, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, in the forty-ninth year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's command,
Hugh C. E. Childers.

Crown Office, March 4, 1886.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present
PARLIAMENT.

County of Flint.

Samuel Smith, Esq., in the place of the Right Honourable Richard de Aquila Grosvenor (commonly called Lord Richard Grosvenor), who has accepted the Chiltern Hundreds.

Westminster, March 5, 1886.

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 Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act 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 Act, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to
Land Registry Act, 1886.

Admiralty, 5th March, 1886.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 30th December, 1884—
Staff Commander John Henry Ellis has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 5th March, 1886.

Admiralty, 6th March, 1886.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 30th April, 1877—
Chief Engineer Andrew Lloyd has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 5th March, 1886.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—
Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets Henry Fegan, C.B., M.D., has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 5th March, 1886.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—
Chaplain and Naval Instructor the Reverend Edward Adams Williams, M.A., has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 5th March, 1886.

Admiralty, 8th March, 1886.

Assistant-Paymaster Frederic Baldwin James Mathias has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 6th March, 1886.