

order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to His Royal Highness.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-past one o'clock.

LATHOM,

Lord Chamberlain.

War Office, February 13, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Civil Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Honourable Order, viz.:—
Major Edward Law Durand, Bengal Staff Corps.

India Office, February 15, 1887.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the First, Second, and Third Classes of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India:—

To be Knights Grand Commanders.

His Highness Maharaja Sayaji Rao, Bahadur, Gaekwar of Baroda.

His Highness the Maharana Futtch Singh, Bahadur of Meywar (Oodeypore).

His Highness Raja Sir Shamsher Prakash, Bahadur, of Sirmur (Nahun), K.C.S.I.

To be Knights Commanders.

Charles Alfred Elliott, Esq., C.S.I., Bengal Civil Service, Chief Commissioner of Assam.

William Wilson Hunter, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., Bengal Civil Service, Director-General of Statistics.

His Highness Maharaja Sri Keshri Singhji of Idar.

Colonel William George Davies, C.S.I., Bengal Staff Corps, Financial Commissioner, Punjab.

Colonel James Johnstone, C.S.I., Bengal Infantry, late Political Agent at Manipur.

To be Companions.

Charles Gilbert Master, Esq., Madras Civil Service, Member of the Council of the Governor of Madras.

Charles Haukes Todd Crosthwaite, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces.

John Graham Cordery, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Resident at Hyderabad.

Kumarapuram Sheshadri Iyar, Dewan of Mysore.

Henry Napier Bruce Erskine, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, Commissioner in Sind.

Babu Peary Mohun Mookerjee, Additional Member of the Council of the Viceroy and Governor-General of India for making Laws and Regulations.

Frederic Russell Hogg, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Director-General of the Post Office of India.

Colonel William Stephen Alexander Lockhart, C.B., Bengal Infantry, Brigadier-General, Commanding a Brigade in Burmah.

George James Spence Hodgkinson, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Commissioner in Burmah.

Captain Charles Edward Yate, Bombay Staff Corps, late Member of the Afghan Boundary Commission.

William Rudolph Henry Merk, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Assistant Commissioner, Punjab, late Member of the Afghan Boundary Commission.

Nawab Abdul Majid Khan, Honorary Assistant Commissioner and Honorary Assistant Magistrate, Lahore.

James Wallace Quinton, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Member of the Revenue Board, North West Provinces.

Dennis Fitzpatrick, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department.

Rao Bahadur Chatr Pati, of Alipura.

Moung Kinwun Mingyi, of Burmah.

David Miller Barbour, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, Secretary to the Government of India, in the Department of Finance and Commerce.

Gerald Seymour Vesey Fitzgerald, Esq., Political Aide-de-Camp to the Secretary of State for India.

Ind'a Office, February 15, 1887.

THE Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration the expediency of making certain changes in the constitution of the Order of the Indian Empire, as well by altering the designation of the Order as by adding thereto an additional Class, so as to enable Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to reward a greater number of persons who, by their services, official or other, to Her Majesty's Indian Empire, have merited the Royal favour, has been graciously pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the second day of August last, to revoke and abrogate so much of the Royal Warrant bearing date the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, by which the said Order was instituted, as limits the same to the Sovereign, a Grand Master, and one class of Members or Companions, and as is inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of the now recited Letters Patent.

And to ordain, direct, and appoint that the said Order of Knighthood shall henceforth be styled and designated in all acts, proceedings, and pleadings as "The Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire."

And to ordain, direct, and appoint that the said Order shall consist of the Sovereign and a Grand Master and such Ordinary Companions or Members, to be divided into two classes, together with such Extra and Honorary Members as Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, shall from time to time appoint.

And to ordain, direct, and appoint that Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, Kings or Queens Regnant of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Emperors and Empresses of India, shall be successively the Sovereign of the said Order, and that the Viceroy and Governor-General of India for the time being shall be Grand Master of the said Order, and shall in virtue thereof be the First and Principal Knight Commander of the Order.

And to ordain, direct, and appoint that the said Members shall be divided into two classes, and that the first or higher of the two classes shall be composed of fifty Members, to be styled and designated Knights Commanders of the said Order, and that the second or lower class shall consist of such Members as Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, shall appoint, to be styled and designated Companions of the said Order: Provided, nevertheless, and the Queen thereby ordained, directed, and appointed, that it should be competent for Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, to appoint at Her or their pleasure any Princes of the Blood Royal, being descendants