

And to ordain, direct, and appoint, that in all solemn ceremonials, and in all places and assemblies, the Knights Grand Commanders of the said Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and that the Knights Commanders of the said Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Commanders of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and that the Companions of the said Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George :

And to ordain, direct, and appoint that the said Order shall continue to be governed by Statutes and Ordinances, to be from time to time made and ordained by Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, Sovereigns of the same.

In pursuance of the power so vested in The Queen, as Sovereign of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, Her Majesty has also been pleased to issue New Statutes for the government of the said Order, and therein to ordain, direct, and appoint that it shall be competent for the Sovereign of the said Order to confer the dignity of a Knight Grand Commander upon such persons who, by their services, official or other, to Her Majesty's Empire in India, have merited the Royal Favour, and upon such distinguished representatives of Eastern potentates as Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, may think fit, and the dignity of Knight Commander or Companion of this Order on such persons as would, according to the before-recited provisions, be qualified for being nominated to the First Class, or Knights Grand Commanders of the said Order.

The Queen has been further pleased, in pursuance of the Statutes aforesaid, to make on the occasion of the celebration of the completion of the fiftieth year of Her Majesty's reign, the following appointments to the said Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, viz. :—

The Right Honourable Donald James, Lord Reay, C.I.E., Governor of the Presidency of Bombay,

The Right Honourable Robert, Lord Connemara, Governor of the Presidency of Madras,

General Sir Frederick Sleigh Roberts, Bart., G.C.B., K.C.I.E., *H.C.*, Commander-in-Chief in India,

to be Knights Grand Commanders of the said Order.

The Queen, in order to mark the high sense and esteem in which Her Majesty holds the said Order, and to give an additional proof of Her affectionate regard for—

Field-Marshal His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, K.G., K.T., G.C.B., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,

Vice-Admiral His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,