received three wounds: he has, from the commencement of the campaign, always acted most gallantly.

Captain Fernyhough did good work with the rear guard during the action. He has been of very great value to me ever since he has served under me.

A large number of the Boers were dressed in khaki, many of them wearing the chevrons of non-commissioned officers. This, in several instances, led to misapprehension by our troops, and to losses by death, wounds, and capture among us. Owing to having been wounded and taken prisoner, I am unable to give any list of casualties. This report is, for the same reason, based solely on what came under my own observation, and what I have been able to gather from the few officers with whom I have had the opportunity of speaking on the subject.

It may be that I have omitted to bring to notice some who distinguished themselves during the action, and that Major Paris can supply this deficiency.

I have the honour, &c, METHUEN, Lieut.-General.

Crown Office,

April 10, 1902.

THE KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to present the Reverend Philip Isidore Lach-Szyrma, M.A., to the Vicarage of Aldborough Hatch, in the county of Essex, and diocese of St. Albans, void by the death of the Reverend Charles Edward Lathbury, the last Incumbent, and in His Majesty's Gift in full right.

Crown Office,

April 9, 1902.

THE KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to appoint—

- Herbert Eliot Ormerod, Esq., of the Inner Temple;
- Samuel Hill Smith Lofthouse, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn ;
- Sir John Rahere Paget, Bart., of the Inner Temple;
- Wiliam Percival Gratwicke Boxall, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn;

John Gilbert Kotze, Esq., of the Inner Temple ;

Arthur Powell, Esq., of the Middle Temple;

Ernest Moon, Esq., of the Inner Temple;

Charles Montague Lush, Esq., of Gray's Inn;

Robert Arthur Germaine, Esq., of the Inner Temple;

Frank Gore-Browne, Esq., of the Inner Temple;

- Stanley Owen Buckmaster, Esq., of the Inner Temple;
- Dudley Stewart-Smith, Esq., LL.B., of the Middle Temple;

Frederick Low, Esq., of the Middle Temple; to be of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law.

Treasury Chambers, April 10, 1902.

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THE Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed Mr. James Boyle to be Steward and Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead,

Whitehall, February 17, 1902.

THE KING has been pleased to grant unto Arthur FitzRoy Hart, Esquire, Companiou of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, a Major-General in the Army, now serving in the South African Field Force, and to Mary Susanna his wife, eldest daughter of Mark Seton Synnot the elder, of Ballymoyer, in the county of Armagh, Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenant and High Sheriff (1876) for the said county, deceased, and sister and co-heir of Mark Seton Synnot the younger, late of Ballymoyer aforesaid, Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace for the said county, also deceased, His Royal licence and authority that they may in compliance with a proviso contained in a certain Indenture of Settlement, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, take and use the surname of Synnot in addition to and after that of Hart, and that he the said Arthur FitzRoy Hart may bear the arms of Synnot quarterly with his own family arms, and that such surname and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used by the issue of their marriage; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect :

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in His Majesty's said College of Arms.

Scottish Office, Whitehall,

April 10, 1902.

THE KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 31st day of March, 1902, to direct the issue under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland of a Commission of Inquiry into the subject of Physical Training in Scotland as follows :--

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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, to---

Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin William David, Earl of Mansfield (Chairman);

Our trusty and well-beloved Thomas Horatio Arthur Ernest Cochrane, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Thomas Horatio Arthur Ernest Cochrane, Member of Parliament;

Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Thomas Glen-Coats, Baronet;

Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Henry Craik, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Doctor of Laws, Secretary of the Committee of Our Privy Council on Education in Scotland;

Our trusty and well-beloved Michael Hugh Shaw-Stewart, Esquire, Member of Parliament;

Our trusty and well-beloved James Carfrae Alston, Esquire, President of the Boys' Brigade;

Our trusty and well-beloved John Blackburn Fergusson, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, Chairman . of the School Board of Alloway;