

To which Address the following Reply has been returned by His Majesty's command:—

*Home Office, Whitehall,*  
June 28, 1904.

Sir,

I have received the King's command to express to you, and to the Fellows and Masters of the Royal College of Eton, Their Majesties' thanks for the loyal address which you presented to Them on the occasion of Their recent visit. Their Majesties were much gratified by the hearty welcome which was accorded to Them, and They were glad to receive assurance of the continued prosperity of the ancient foundation of Eton, which has always held so distinguished a position among the public schools of this Country.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*A. Akers-Douglas.*

The Reverend J. J. Hornby, D.D.,  
Provost of Eton College.

*Whitehall, July 5, 1904.*

The KING has been pleased to issue a Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, addressed to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to the following effect:—

*EDWARD, R. & I.*

Right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor, We greet you well!

Whereas the precedence of Our Lieutenants and of Our Sheriffs of Counties in Ireland not having been hitherto declared, doubts and a diversity of practice have in consequence arisen in respect to their relative precedence:

And whereas it is expedient that such doubts should be set at rest:

Now know ye that We of Our Princely Grace and mere motion are pleased to ordain and declare that each and every of Our Lieutenants of a County and each and every of Our Lieutenants of a County of a City in Ireland shall during his term of office and within the limits of his jurisdiction have, on all occasions, place, pre-eminence, and precedence before the Sheriff having concurrent jurisdiction in the said County or County of a City.

Our Will and Pleasure, therefore, is that you do cause this Our Order to be recorded in Our Office of Arms in Ireland, to the end that Our Officers of Arms, and all others upon occasion, may take full notice and have knowledge thereof.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, this thirtieth day of *June*, one thousand nine hundred and four, in the fourth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

*A. Akers-Douglas.*

*Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order,*  
*St. James's Palace, July 5, 1904.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Royal Victorian Order:—

*To be Honorary Member of the Fourth Class:*

Dr. Hans Richter.

*To be Commander:*

The Reverend James John Hornby, D.D., Provost of Eton.

*To be Members of the Fourth Class:*

Major Charles Wallis King, Army Service Corps, Honorary Treasurer of the Royal Military Tournaments.

The Reverend Bertram Pollock, D.D., Master of Wellington College.

*To be Member of the Fifth Class:*

John Bowman Westcott, Esq., of His Majesty's Office of Works.

*Whitehall, July 1, 1904.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint Charles Harding Firth, Esq., M.A., Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, to be Professor of Modern History in the University of Oxford, in the room of Frederick York Powell, Esq., M.A., deceased.

*Whitehall, July 1, 1904.*

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Major (temporarily Lieutenant-Colonel) Francis Richard Maunsell, R.A., His Majesty's Royal Licence and Authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Order of St. Alexander the Great, conferred upon him by His Royal Highness the Prince of Bulgaria, upon the termination of his appointment as Military Attaché at Sofia.

*Whitehall, July 1, 1904.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Imperial Service Order:—

*To be Companions.*

Rowland Bailey, Esq., M.V.O., Controller of Stores, Office of Works.

Edward George Rivers, Esq., M.I.C.E., Chief Engineer, Office of Works.

Henry Nicholas Hawks, Esq., Architect and Surveyor, Office of Works.

*Downing Street,*  
*July 2, 1904.*

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the re-appointment of Arthur Harvey Alexander, Esq. (Immigration Agent-General), to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Colony of British Guiana.

*Downing Street,*  
*July 4, 1904.*

The KING has been pleased to approve of the appointment of James Thomas Manchester, Esq., to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis.