

upon him by His Majesty's command for gallantry in saving life as detailed below:—

On the night of Saturday, the 21st October, 1905, while Thomson was on duty at the Stirling Railway Station, his attention was called, by an outcry, to the fact that a man was lying on the metals of the down main line.

An engine was approaching rapidly, and was not more than 30 yards distant, when Thomson, without hesitation, sprang to the man's assistance, and both men disappeared from view as the engine passed by. The railway officials and passengers on the platform who witnessed the occurrence thought that both men had been run over, especially as another engine passed by, almost at the same moment, on the next line of rails. Thomson had, however, managed to drag the man on to the six-foot way. The rescued man was of heavy build and was quite unable to help himself, being in a state of intoxication; he was unhurt, while Thomson only received cuts about the face.

Whitehall, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Lord Edmond George Petty Fitzmaurice, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Fitzmaurice of Leigh in the county of Wilts.

Whitehall, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon the Honourable Philip James Stanhope, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Weardale of Stanhope in the county of Durham.

Whitehall, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon the Right Honourable Sir Arthur Divett Hayter, Baronet, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Haversham of Bracknell in the county of Berks.

Whitehall, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon the

Right Honourable Charles Hare Hemphill, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Hemphill of Rathkenny and of Cashell in the county of Tipperary.

Whitehall, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain Henry Coare Kingsford, R.N., His Majesty's Royal Licence and Authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of Knight Commander of the Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus, which Decoration was conferred by His Majesty the King of Italy, on the occasion of the recent visit to Italian waters of the British Squadron under Captain Kingsford's command.

*Chancery of the Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George.*

Downing Street, January 12, 1906.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Brevet Major (local Lieutenant-Colonel) George Bohun Macauley, R.E., for services in connection with the construction of the Suakin-Berber Railway.

*Crown Office,
January 11, 1906.*

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to grant unto Gerald Woods Wollaston, Esq., M.V.O., Barrister-at-Law, the Office of Bluemantle Pursuivant of Arms, vacant by the promotion of Gordon Ambrose de Lisle Lee, Esq., to the office of York Herald.

*Crown Office,
January 10, 1906.*

Days and Places appointed for holding the Winter Assizes, 1906:—

NORTHERN CIRCUIT.

Mr. Justice Grantham.
Mr. Justice Bray.

Thursday, January 18, at Appleby.
Saturday, January 20, at Carlisle.
Friday, January 26, at Lancaster.
Tuesday, January 30, at Manchester.
Wednesday, February 14, at Liverpool.