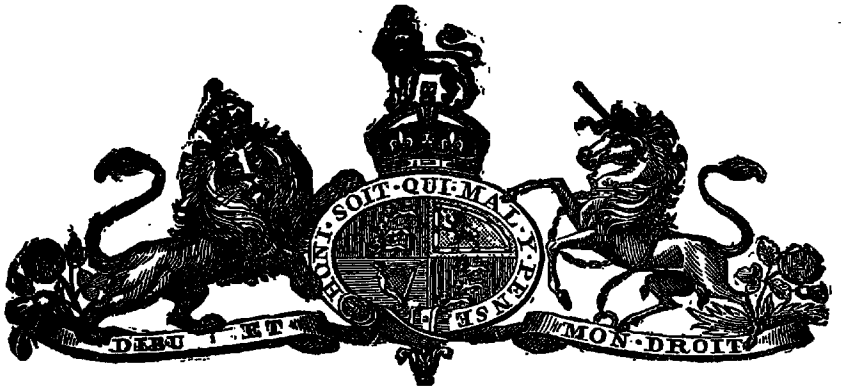

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The KING has been pleased to issue a Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect:—

EDWARD, R. & I.

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 Most Dear Brother and Councillor His Royal Highness Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Great Master and Principal Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order, Field Marshal and Inspector-General of Our Forces; and to

Our right trusty and well-beloved Paul Sanford, Baron Methuen, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, General Commanding-in-Chief Our Forces of the Eastern Command;

Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Sir Francis Mowatt, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Imperial Service Order; and

Our trusty and well-beloved:—

Sir Cyprian Arthur George Bridge, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Admiral on the retired list of Our Navy;

Sir Frederick Thomas Marzials, Knight, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath; and

Charles Henry Renn Stansfield, Esquire, Director of Greenwich Hospital, Greeting!

Whereas by an Act passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the third year of Our reign, intituled "An Act to reorganise the Administration of the Patriotic Fund," the Patriotic Fund Commission constituted by Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, by Warrant under the Royal Sign Manual, dated the seventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, was dissolved, and the property, rights, duties, and liabilities thereof, and all property held in trust therefor, were transferred to and vested in the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation established in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act:

And whereas in pursuance of the powers vested in Us by the said recited Act, We did by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual bearing date the seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, appoint you Our said Most Dear Brother and Councillor Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, together with the gentlemen therein named to be the first "appointed members"