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*Whitehall, April 2, 1908.*

The KING has been pleased to issue a Commission 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 trusty and well-beloved—

Ivor Churchill Guest, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable Ivor Churchill Guest);

Sir William Hovell Browne folkes, Baronet;

Sir Leonard Lyell, Baronet;

Sir William Matthews, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Edward Stafford Howard, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, a Commissioner of Our Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues;

Horace Cecil Monro, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Local Government Board;

William Phipson Beale, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law;

George Charles Frederick, Esquire, Commander on the Retired List of Our Royal Navy;

John Galvin, Esquire, Vice-Chairman of the Roscommon County Council;

Henry Rider Haggard, Esquire;

Thomas John Jehu, Esquire, Doctor of Medicine, Lecturer in Geology in Our University of Saint Andrews;

Arthur Levy Lever, Esquire;

Robert Beattie Nicholson, Esquire, Town Clerk of Lowestoft;

Patrick O'Brien, Esquire;

William Somerville, Esquire, Master of Arts, Doctor of Science, Sibthorpe Professor of Rural Economy and Fellow of Saint John's College in Our University of Oxford;

Fraser Story, Esquire, Lecturer in Forestry, University College of North Wales;

Thomas Summerbell, Esquire;

John Ward, Esquire; and

Arthur Stanley Wilson, Esquire; Greeting

Whereas by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and six, We were pleased to appoint Commissioners to inquire and report on certain questions relating to the encroachment of the sea on various parts of the Coast of the United Kingdom:

And whereas We have deemed it expedient that the scope of the said Commission should be enlarged for the purpose of determining whether in connection with reclaimed lands or otherwise it is desirable to make an experiment in afforestation as a means of increasing employment during periods of depression in the labour market, and, if so, by what authority, and under what conditions, such experiment should be conducted; and also that certain new members should be added to the Commission:

Now know ye that We have revoked and determined, and do by these Presents revoke and determine, the said Warrant of the sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and six, and every matter and thing therein contained:

And We do by these Presents authorize and appoint you, the said Ivor Churchill Guest (Chairman); Sir William Hovell Browne folkes; Sir Leonard Lyell; Sir William Matthews; Edward Stafford Howard; Horace Cecil Monro; William Phipson Beale; George Charles Frederick; John Galvin; Henry Rider Haggard;