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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:—

Sir John Rhys, Knight, Principal of Jesus College, in Our University of Oxford and Professor of Celtic in Our said University;

Edward Anwyl, Esquire, Master of Arts, Professor of Celtic in the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth;

Robert Carr Bosanquet, Esquire, Master of Arts, Professor of Classical Archæology in the University of Liverpool;

Robert Hughes, Esquire, Ex-Lord Mayor of the City of Cardiff, President of the Cardiff Cymmrodorion Society;

Griffith Hartwell Jones, Doctor of Divinity, Rector of Nutfield;

William Edwin Llewellyn Morgan, Esquire, Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel on the retired list of Our Army; and

Evan Vincent-Evans, Esquire, Secretary of the Honourable Society of Cymmrodorion; Greeting!

Whereas We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to make an inventory of the Ancient and Historical Monuments and Constructions connected with or illustrative of the contemporary culture, civilization and conditions of life of the people in Wales and Monmouthshire from the earliest times, and to specify those which seem most worthy of preservation:

Now know ye, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability,

have authorized and appointed, and do by these Presents authorize and appoint you, the said Sir John Rhys (Chairman); Edward Anwyl; Robert Carr Bosanquet; Robert Hughes; Griffith Hartwell Jones; William Edwin Llewellyn Morgan; and Evan Vincent-Evans, to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry:

And for the better enabling you to carry out the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents authorize you to call in the aid and co-operation of owners of ancient monuments, inviting them to assist you in furthering the objects of the Commission; and to invite the possessors of such papers as you may deem it desirable to inspect to produce them before you.

And We do further give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever:

And We do by these Presents authorize and empower you, or any three or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid:

And We do by these Presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment:

And We do further ordain that you, or any three or more of you, have liberty to report your