

the Viscount Althorp, Lord Chamberlain; the Lord Ashby St. Ledgers, Paymaster-General; and the Right Honourable John Burns, President of the Local Government Board.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Privy Council Office, May 12, 1910.

This day, in the presence of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Earl Carrington, K.G., G.C.M.G., was sworn President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries; and the Right Honourable Lewis Harcourt, First Commissioner of Works and Public Buildings.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Privy Council Office, May 12, 1910.

This day, in the presence of the Secretary of State for War, the Earl Beauchamp, K.C.M.G., was sworn Lord Steward.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Whitehall, May 12, 1910.

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

GEORGE, R. I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, 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:—

Richard Frederick Cavendish, Esquire (commonly called Lord Richard Frederick Cavendish);

Sir Francis John Stephens Hopwood, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of the Under Secretaries of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies;

Saint-Hill Eardley-Wilmot, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, late Inspector-General of Forests to the Government of India;

Henry Jones Davies, Esquire;

Michael Andrew Ennis, Esquire;

William Stowell Haldane, Esquire, Crown Agent for Scotland;

Alfred Daniel Hall, Esquire, Master of Arts, Fellow of the Royal Society; and

Sidney Webb, Esquire, Bachelor of Laws.

Greeting!

Whereas by an Act passed in the ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, intituled "An Act to promote the Economic Development of the United Kingdom and the Improvement of Roads therein" as amended by an Act passed in the tenth year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909," it is amongst other things

enacted that it shall be lawful for Us by Warrant under the Sign Manual to appoint for the purposes of that part of the first mentioned Act relating to Economic Development eight Commissioners, to be styled the Development Commissioners, of whom one shall be Chairman; that the Commissioners so appointed may act by four of their number; and that the order in which they are to retire shall be determined by Us:

Now know ye, that We, pursuant to the powers vested in Us by the said recited Acts, have appointed and do by these Presents appoint you the said Richard Frederick Cavendish, Sir Francis John Stephens Hopwood, Saint-Hill Eardley-Wilmot, Henry Jones Davies, Michael Andrew Ennis, William Stowell Haldane, Alfred Daniel Hall, and Sidney Webb to be the Development Commissioners for the purposes of, and to hold office as provided by, the said Acts.

And We do by these Presents appoint the said Richard Frederick Cavendish to be Chairman of the said Commissioners:

And We do further ordain that the Commissioners shall retire in the following Order:—

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| Firstly. | Henry Jones Davies; |
| Secondly. | Saint-Hill Eardley-Wilmot; |
| Thirdly. | Michael Andrew Ennis; |
| Fourthly. | William Stowell Haldane; |
| Fifthly. | Alfred Daniel Hall; |
| Sixthly. | Sidney Webb; |
| Seventhly. | Richard Frederick Cavendish; |
| | and |
| Lastly. | Sir Francis John Stephens Hopwood. |

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the twelfth day of *May*, one thousand nine hundred and ten, in the first year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

Winston S. Churchill.

Whitehall, May 12, 1910.

His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh was pleased to signify His pleasure that the Albert Medal of the Second Class be awarded to Major Hugh Lancaster Lithgow, R.F.A., and to Sergeant-Major Charles Stephens, R.F.A., for gallantry in endeavouring to save life as detailed below:—

On the 25th February, 1908, a violent explosion of blank gun cartridges occurred in the store of the 44th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, at Kirkee, India, and while the building was full of smoke, and it was impossible to tell whether a further explosion might follow, Major Lithgow and Sergeant-Major Stephens, hearing that Battery Quarter-Master Sergeant Dennis was in the burning building, at once went to his rescue through the dense smoke, and succeeded in bringing him out, though unhappily he was so seriously hurt that he succumbed to the injuries sustained.

The Medals have now been presented—Major Lithgow's Decoration by Major-General E. A. H. Alderson, C.B., Commanding the 6th (Poona) Division, at a Parade held at Poona on the 1st January, and Sergeant-Major Stephens' Decoration at Cahir, on the 18th April, by the Major-General Commanding the 6th Division, Irish Command,