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FRIDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1912.

Whitehall, November 6, 1912.

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, Emperor of India, To

Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely Beloved Cousin and Counsellor Henry, Duke of Norfolk; Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, Earl Marshal and Hereditary Marshal of England,

Greeting!

Whereas it hath been represented unto Us that doubts have arisen as to the authority for the style and precedence at present borne and used by Maids of Honour:

Now know ye that, in the exercise of Our Royal Prerogative, We do hereby declare that the Ladies who have been, or may be, appointed

Maids of Honour to Our dearly-beloved Consort Her Majesty Queen Mary, to Our dearly-beloved Mother Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, or to any Queen Regnant of these Realms, or Queen Consort, or Queen Dowager, in all times hereafter may assume and use the prefix of "Honourable," and shall have and enjoy for life and on all occasions the style of "Honourable," together with the rank and precedence next to and immediately after the daughters of Barons now created or hereafter to be created.

Our Will and Pleasure therefore is that you, Henry, Duke of Norfolk, to whom the cognizance of matters of this nature doth properly belong, do see this Our Order kept and observed, and that you do cause the same to be recorded in Our College of Arms to the end that Our Officers of Arms and all others upon occasion may take full notice and have knowledge thereof.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the twenty-eighth day of *October*, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, in the third year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
Reginald McKenna.