

Order, such appointment shall be made by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual, and sealed with the Seal of the Order.

8. It is ordained that the Insignia of the Sovereign of the said Order shall be of the same material and fashion as are hereinafter appointed for the Members of the Order, save only with those alterations which distinguish Our Royal Dignity.

9. It is ordained that the Members of this Order shall, upon all great and solemn occasions, wear the oval shaped badge of the Order which shall consist of a gold medallion with a representation of an oak tree and pendant from a branch a shield of the Royal Arms on the dexter a representation of a Knight armed and in armour mounted on a horse, the whole within a circle azure inscribed with the motto, "In action faithful and in honour clear" in letters of gold ensigned with the Imperial Crown proper, the badge in the case of men suspended from a carmine riband of the breadth of one inch and a half with a bordure interlaced gold around their necks, and in the case of women attached to a similar riband tied in a bow and worn on the left shoulder.

10. It is ordained that upon the nomination of any person to be a Member of this Order, he shall be invested with the Insignia of his dignity in the Order by Us, Our heirs and successors, and that on the day of the investiture the person to be invested shall be introduced into the presence of the Sovereign by the Officer of the Order in attendance bearing the proper Insignia of the Order, when the Sovereign shall proceed to invest him with the Ensigns of the said Order with the Riband and Badge.

11. It is further ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our heirs and successors, by a Warrant or Warrants under Our Sign Manual, countersigned by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and sealed with the Seal of this Order, in any case to authorize some distinguished persons to perform in Our name, and on Our behalf, the ceremony of investing Members with the Insignia of their dignity, or to permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with. And we reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, by Our or their Warrant or Warrants, as aforesaid, to permit and authorize the person or persons not invested by Us to wear the Insignia and enjoy the privileges appertaining to their dignity.

12. It is ordained that for the greater honour and dignity of the Members of this Order, it shall be lawful for the Members of this Order to suspend a representation of their riband and badge from the bottom of the escocheon containing their armorial bearings.

13. It is ordained that the Seal of this Order shall have engraved thereon as follows, that is to say, upon a white field, a representation of the Badge of the Order proper, impaled with Our Royal Arms, with the following circumscription, "The Seal of the Order of the Companions of Honour," and that the Statutes of the said Order shall be sealed by and with the same.

14. It is ordained that the following Officer shall be appointed to this Order, that is to say, a Secretary and Registrar.

15. It is ordained that the Secretary and

Registrar of the said Order shall be appointed from time to time by a Warrant under the Sign Manual of Us or Our heirs and successors and shall hold the said Office during the pleasure of Us, Our heirs and successors, and that he shall wear around his neck pendant to a riband as previously described a like Badge to that appointed for Members of the Order, with the addition of two silver pens saltirewise between the angles of the Cross. To his custody shall be confided the Seal of the said Order, which he shall affix, or cause to be affixed, to all Statutes and other documents or instruments connected therewith. He shall, moreover, perform such duties as may be directed by the Sovereign or by these Statutes. He shall write all letters connected with the service of the Order: he shall keep full lists of the Members of the Order. He shall carefully record all proceedings relative to the said Order that may take place, and he shall faithfully enter such proceedings in the Register of the Order, as well as all documents which may be transmitted to him for that purpose. We are further pleased to ordain that the Chancery of the said Order, wherein a record of all proceedings connected therewith shall be deposited and preserved, shall be in the Office of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these Statutes and Regulations, or any part thereof, by a Notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the Order.

Given under the Seal of this Order at Our Court of *St. James's* this fourth day of *June*, 1917, in the Eighth year of Our Reign.

BY HIS MAJESTY'S COMMAND.

*Geo. Cave.*

*Whitehall, February 26, 1918.*

The KING has been pleased to issue a Commission 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 right trusty and well-beloved Counsellor *James William Lowther*, Speaker of the House of Commons; and

Our trusty and well-beloved:—

*David Dundas*, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable Lord Dundas);

*Sir Thomas Henry Elliott*, Baronet, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath;

*Sir Samuel Butler Provis*, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath; and