

*Whitehall, March 27, 1919.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 24th instant, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Sir George Ranken Askwith, K.C.B., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Askwith, of Saint Ives, in the county of Huntingdon

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Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland conferring the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon the under-mentioned gentlemen and the heirs male of their respective bodies lawfully begotten:—

Sir Abe Bailey, K.C.M.G., of Cradock, in the Province of the Cape of Good Hope and Union of South Africa, Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Union of South Africa.

The Right Honourable Sir Maurice William Ernest de Bunsen, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., C.B., of Abbey Lodge, Hanover Gate, in the Metropolitan borough of Saint Marylebone.

Sir Lewis Amherst Selby-Bigge, K.C.B., of King's Sutton, in the county of Northampton.

The Right Honourable John Ross, of Dunmoyle, in the parish of Errigal Keerogue, in the county of Tyrone, a Judge of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland.

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The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 24th instant, to appoint Edward Forbes Lankester, Esq., K.C., to be one of the Magistrates of the Police Courts of the Metropolis, in the room of the Honourable John Augustus de Grey, resigned.

*Whitehall, March 28, 1919.*

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 Sir Charles Swinfen Eady, Knight, Keeper or Master of the Rolls and Records;

Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousins and Counsellors:—

David Alexander Edward, Earl of Crawford and Balcarres;

Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle; and

William Heneage, Earl of Dartmouth, Knight Commander of our Most Honourable Order of the Bath;

Our right trusty and well-beloved Llewelyn Nevill Vaughan, Baron Mostyn;

Our right trusty and well-beloved Counsellor Edmond George, Baron Fitzmaurice; and

Our trusty and well-beloved:—

Sir Henry Churchill Maxwell Lyte, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Deputy Keeper of the Records;

Sir Frederic George Kenyon, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Director and Principal Librarian of the British Museum;

Charles Harding Firth, Esquire, Master of Arts, Doctor of Laws, Fellow of All Souls College and Regius Professor of Modern History in the University of Oxford;

Albert Frederick Pollard, Esquire, Master of Arts, Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, and Professor of English History in the University of London;

Richard Arthur Roberts, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law; and

Francis Elrington Ball, Esquire;

Greeting!

Whereas it was represented to Her late Majesty Queen Victoria that there were belonging to many Institutions and Private Families various Collections of Manuscripts and Papers of general Public Interest, a knowledge of which would be of great utility in the illustration of History, Constitutional Law, Science and general Literature; that in some cases these Papers were liable to be lost or obliterated, and that many of the possessors of such Manuscripts would be willing to give access to them and permit their contents to be made public provided that nothing of a private character or relating to the Title of existing owners, should be divulged:

And whereas it appeared to Her Majesty that there would be considerable public advantage in it being generally known where such Manuscripts and Papers were deposited, and that the contents of those which tended to the elucidation of History, and the illustration of Constitutional Law, Science and Literature, should be published; Her Majesty did accordingly, by Royal Warrant bearing date the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, appoint Commissioners to make inquiry as to the places in which such Manuscripts and Papers were deposited, and for any of the purposes therein mentioned:

And whereas by Royal Warrant bearing date the eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, a new Commission issued for the purposes specified in the original Commission above referred to, and it appears to Us to be desirable that the Commission should now be reconstituted:

Now know ye that We have revoked and determined, and do by these Presents revoke and determine the said Royal Warrant of the eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and each subsequent Warrant of appointment, and every matter and thing therein contained.

And We, reposing great trust and confidence in your ability and discretion, do by these Presents nominate, constitute and appoint you the said Sir Charles Swinfen Eady (Chairman); David Alexander Edward, Earl of Crawford and Balcarres; Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery; William Heneage, Earl of Dartmouth; Llewelyn Nevill Vaughan, Baron Mostyn;