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FRIDAY, 17 OCTOBER, 1930.

ROYAL WARRANTS.

THE EFFICIENCY DECORATION.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas Her late Majesty Queen Victoria by a Warrant under Her Sign Manual dated the 25th day of July, 1892, did institute and create a Decoration to be styled and designated "The Volunteer Officers' Decoration" to reward the long and meritorious services of Officers of proved capacity in Our Volunteer Force in Great Britain and did by a Warrant under Her Sign Manual dated the 24th day of May, 1894, extend the grant of such Decoration to Officers of Our Volunteer Forces throughout Our Empire.

And whereas Her late Majesty by a Warrant under Her Sign Manual dated the 18th day of May, 1899, did institute and create a Decoration to be styled and designated "The Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration" to be awarded to Officers of Our Colonial Auxiliary Forces in recognition of long and meritorious service instead of the aforesaid Volunteer Officers' Decoration.

And whereas His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh by a Warrant under His Sign Manual dated the 17th day of August, 1908, did institute and create a Decoration to be styled and designated "The Territorial Decoration" to reward the long and meritorious service of Officers of proved capacity in Our Territorial Force.

And whereas We are desirous of instituting a new Decoration to replace the aforesaid Decorations in order that throughout Our Empire and territories under Our protection there may be one Decoration to reward the long and meritorious service of Officers of Our Territorial Army in Great Britain, hereinafter referred to as Our Territorial Army, and of the other authorized Auxiliary Military Forces of Our Empire and territories under Our protection, hereinafter referred to as the other Auxiliary Military Forces of Our Empire, and that thereby the Imperial character of such service may be recognized.

Now, therefore, it is Our Will and Pleasure that the grant of the aforesaid Decorations shall be discontinued for future service and in lieu thereof We have instituted, constituted and created and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, do institute, constitute and create a new Decoration which We are desirous should be highly prized by the Officers of Our Territorial Army and of the other Auxiliary Military Forces of Our Empire; and