

for women, to the centre of the bow, from which the Medal is suspended; and that such Clasp shall consist of a bar inscribed with the year in which it is awarded, and surmounted by the Royal and Imperial Cypher.

XXIX. It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our heirs and successors, by an Ordinance signed by the Sovereign and sealed with the Seal of the Order (and on the recommendation to that effect by the Chancellor of the Order) to cancel and annul the award of the Royal Victorian Medal in any case, and that thereupon the name of the person concerned shall be erased from the Register of those upon whom the said Medal has been conferred.

XXX. It is ordained that the Twentieth day of June every year, being the day of the accession to the Throne of these Our Realms of Our Royal Predecessor Queen Victoria, shall be taken and deemed to be the Anniversary of the institution of this Order.

XXXI. It is ordained that the following Officers shall be appointed to this Order, that is to say, a Chancellor, a Secretary and a Registrar.

XXXII. It is ordained that the Lord Chamberlain of Our Household for the time being shall be Chancellor of this Order, and that in all ceremonies of the Order and upon all great and solemn occasions to be appointed he shall be habited in a Mantle of white satin lined with dark blue silk edged with red silk two inches in width, fastened by a cordon of dark blue silk and gold, with two dark blue silk and gold tassels attached thereto, and having on the right shoulder thereof an escutcheon Azure, charged with a representation of the Badge of the First Class of the Order; and that he shall wear around his neck, pendent from a chain of gold, a Badge consisting of a representation of the Badge of the First Class of the Order within a blue enamelled border inscribed "Royal Victorian Order" in letters of gold, the whole ensigned with the Imperial Crown enamelled in proper colours. To his custody shall be confided the Seal of the Order, which he shall affix, or cause to be affixed, to all Statutes and other documents and instruments of the Order which require to be passed under the said Seal. He shall countersign all instruments appertaining to the Order, and shall perform such further duties in connection therewith as may be directed by these Statutes, or by the Sovereign.

XXXIII. It is ordained that Our Private Secretary for the time being shall be the Secretary of this Order, and that in all ceremonies of the Order and upon all great and solemn occasions to be appointed he shall be habited in a Mantle like unto that assigned to the Chancellor of this Order; and that he shall wear around his neck, pendent from a chain of gold, a Badge consisting of a representation of the Badge of the First Class of the Order with two gold pens saltirewise between the angles of the Cross, the whole within a blue enamelled border inscribed "Royal Victorian Order" in letters of gold. He shall record all appointments in the Register of the Order, and keep full lists of those who are admitted to it. He shall be responsible for conducting all correspondence connected with the service of the Order, and for making such record of it as

is necessary, and shall take such steps as may be required to ensure the safe custody of all documents relating to the Order. It shall also be his duty to recover the Badges of those who are promoted in the Order.

XXXIV. It is ordained that the Registrar of this Order shall be nominated by Us, Our heirs and successors, and that in all ceremonies of the Order and upon all great and solemn occasions to be appointed he shall be habited in a Mantle like unto that assigned to the Chancellor of this Order; and that he shall wear around his neck, pendent from a chain of gold, a Badge consisting of a representation of the Badge of the First Class of the Order with a gold book between each angle of the Cross, the whole within a blue enamelled border inscribed "Royal Victorian Order" in letters of gold. He shall assist the Secretary in his duty to keep full lists of those who are admitted to the Order, shall prepare and engross all warrants and instruments which require to be passed under the Seal of the Order; and shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, a copy of the Statutes to every Knight Grand Cross, Dame Grand Cross, Knight Commander and Dame Commander at, or immediately after, his, or her, Investiture, and to every Commander and Member immediately after his, or her, nomination. He shall also keep full lists of those persons to whom the Royal Victorian Medal has been granted, and shall prepare certificates to be sealed with the Seal of the Order for delivery to those persons.

XXXV. It is ordained that the Chancery of this Order, wherein a record of all proceedings connected therewith shall be deposited and preserved, shall be in the Office of Our Lord Chamberlain for the time being, or in the Office of such other Officer of Our Royal Household as it shall please Us, Our heirs and successors, to command.

XXXVI. It is ordained that the Miniature Badges to be worn by Knights Grand Cross, or Dames Grand Cross, by Knights Commanders, or Dames Commanders, by Commanders, or by Members of the Fourth Class of this Order, shall be replicas in enamel of the Badges of the respective Classes, the size to be half that of the Badge of the Members of the Fourth Class of the Order.

XXXVII. It is ordained that the Miniature Badge to be worn by the Members of the Fifth Class of this Order, shall be a replica of the Badge of the Members of that Class, but half the size of that Badge.

XXXVIII. It is also ordained that Sealed Patterns of the said Miniature Badges shall be deposited and kept in the Chancery of the Order.

XXXIX. It is ordained that the three foregoing Statutes shall not be held to apply to those Miniature Badges which were in use before the Seventeenth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

XL. We do hereby command and enjoin that these Statutes shall be of such and the same force, virtue and effect in every respect as if they had been duly made, and the said acts, deeds, matters and things had been duly done, on the Twenty-first day of April, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

XLI. Lastly, We reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting,