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P. C. WEBB,
For the Minister of Internal Affairs.

NEW ZEALAND.
HONOURS.

Downing Street,
24th January, 1938.

MY LORD,—

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, Honours, of the 21st
February, 1935, I have the honour to transmit herewith three copies of the
revised Statutes of the Order of the British Empire dated the 30th July, 1937.

I have, &c.,
MALCOLM MACDONALD.

Governor-General
His Excellency
Colonel

The Right Honourable

Viscount Galway, G.C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E.,
etc. etc. etc.

STATUTES OF THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

SEAL OF
THE ORDER

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, and Sovereign of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, to all to whom these Presents shall come.

Greeting!

WHEREAS Our Royal Father, His late Majesty King George the Fifth, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, bearing date at Westminster the Fourth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seventeen, in the Eighth year of His reign, did institute, erect, constitute and create an Order of Knighthood to be called and known for ever thereafter by the name, style and designation of THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE whereof His said Majesty and His heirs and successors for ever should be Sovereigns, and did by the said Letters Patent ordain and declare that the said Order should be governed by Statutes and Ordinances to be established by the Sovereign and sealed by the Seal of the said Order.

AND WHEREAS His said late Majesty did on various dates and particularly on the Third day of November One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, enact and issue certain Statutes and Ordinances to be observed within the said Order, wherein a power was reserved to the Sovereign of the said Order of annulling, altering, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with the same or any part thereof by a notification under His Sign Manual.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that certain alterations should be made in the existing Statutes of the said Order:

Now know ye that in pursuance and in exercise of the power vested in Us by the said Letters Patent We have Abrogated and Annulled and do hereby Abrogate and Repeal the said Statutes:

And further know all ye to whom these Presents shall come that in substitution thereof We have Made, Ordained, and Established, and by these Presents, sealed with the Seal of the said Order, do Make, Ordain and Establish the following Statutes and Ordinances, namely:—

I. It is Ordained and Enjoined that this Order of Chivalry shall be Styled and Designated in all Acts, Proceedings, and Pleadings "THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE" as in Our said Letters Patent is directed, and by no other Designation.

II. It is Ordained that the said Order shall consist of the SOVEREIGN and a GRAND MASTER and of Five several Classes:—I. "KNIGHTS GRAND CROSS" and "DAMES GRAND CROSS." II. "KNIGHTS COMMANDERS" and "DAMES COMMANDERS." III. "COMMANDERS." IV. "OFFICERS." V. "MEMBERS." And it is further Ordained that each and every of these Five Classes shall likewise contain two sub-divisions, whereof the first shall be Styled "MILITARY" and the second "CIVIL," each of which sub-divisions shall be composed partly of Ordinary and partly of Honorary Members, but that no person shall at the same time be included in both sub-divisions.

III. It is Ordained that We, Our heirs and successors, Kings or Queens Regnant of Our said Realm, are and for ever shall be Sovereigns of this Order, to whom doth and shall belong all power of Annulling, Interpreting, Explaining, or Augmenting these and every part of these Statutes.

IV. We do hereby Ordain, Direct and Appoint that a Prince of the Blood Royal, or such other exalted personage as We, Our heirs and successors shall hereafter appoint, shall be Grand Master of the said Order, and shall in virtue thereof be the First or Principal Knight Grand Cross of the said Order, to whose

Recites Letters
Patent, 4th June,
1917.

Abrogates the
former Statutes.

Style and
Designation.

Order to consist of
Sovereign, Grand
Master and Five
Classes of Members.

The Five Classes to
be subdivided into
Military and Civil
Divisions.

Sovereigns of the
Order.

The Grand Master.

custody shall be confided the Great Seal of the Order, which he shall affix to all Statutes, Ordinances, and Instruments according to the Regulations touching the issue of every of the said Instruments; and it is further Ordained that it shall be his special duty to enforce the due observance of the Statutes and Ordinances of this Order, and that he shall likewise direct the issue of all letters of Summons whenever the Sovereign shall be pleased to command an Investiture of the said MOST EXCELLENT ORDER.

Duty of the Grand Master.

V. It is Ordained that all commissioned and warrant and subordinate Officers subject to the Naval Discipline Act or employed under the Order of the Admiralty, and all commissioned and warrant Officers recommended by any Commander-in-Chief in the field or elsewhere, or employed under the War Office or Air Ministry, and all Members of the Naval, Army and Air Force Nursing Services, and such officials of the Women's Auxiliary Services as are under contract with, or employed by, the Admiralty, War Office, or Air Ministry, and all commissioned and warrant and subordinate Officers of the Naval, Military and Air Forces of India, Burma, Our Dominions and Colonies, the States or Territories under Our protection, and Mandated Territories, including those serving under Administrative Headquarters, and members of the Nursing Services of such Forces and officials of the Women's Auxiliary Services of such Forces, shall be eligible for appointment to the Military Division of this Order.

Persons eligible for appointment to the Military Division of the Order.

VI. It is Ordained that the persons to be admitted to the Civil Division of the said Order shall be such persons, male or female, as have rendered, or shall hereafter render, important services to our Empire.

Persons eligible for appointment to the Civil Division of the Order.

VII. It is Ordained that foreign persons upon whom We may think fit to confer the honour of being received into this Order shall be deemed to be, and described as, HONORARY KNIGHTS GRAND CROSS or HONORARY DAMES GRAND CROSS, HONORARY KNIGHTS COMMANDERS or HONORARY DAMES COMMANDERS, HONORARY COMMANDERS, HONORARY OFFICERS, and HONORARY MEMBERS, according to the classes in the order to which they belong, and it is further Ordained that the name of every foreign person to be received into this Order shall be laid before Us, Our heirs and successors, by Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and that the number of such foreign persons shall not be limited as is hereinafter provided in the case of ordinary members.

Honorary Members.

VIII. It is Ordained that the Military Division of the First Class, or Knights and Dames Grand Cross, shall not exceed nine, of which number two may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty (not more than one to be so appointed in a period of two years), two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War (not more than one to be so appointed in a period of two years), two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air (not more than one to be so appointed in a period of two years), and three on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies (not more than one to be so appointed in one year); but that any vacancy arising by the death of a Knight or Dame Grand Cross so nominated shall be filled only on the recommendation of the Department by which the deceased Knight or Dame Grand Cross was recommended.

Members of the First Class of the Military Division not to exceed 9 in number.

IX. It is Ordained that the Civil Division of the First Class, or Knights and Dames Grand Cross, shall not exceed seventy-five, of which number fifty shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, our United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands (not more than three to be so appointed in one year), and twenty-five shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, any other part or parts of Our Dominions, including India, Burma, or Countries under Our protection or Mandated Territories, or who have rendered services in relation to the Foreign Affairs of Our Empire (not more than four to be so appointed in one year, of which number one may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, one on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for India, and two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies).

Members of the First Class of the Civil Division not to exceed 75 in number.

Members of the Second Class of the Military Division not to exceed 48 in number.

X. It is Ordained that the Military Division of the Second Class, or Knights and Dames Commanders, shall not exceed forty-eight, of which number sixteen may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty (not more than two to be so appointed in one year), seventeen on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War (not more than one to be so appointed in one year), five on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air (not more than one to be so appointed in a period of two years), and ten on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies (not more than two to be so appointed in one year); but that any vacancy arising by the death of a Knight or Dame Commander so nominated shall be filled only on the recommendation of the Department by which the deceased Knight or Dame Commander was recommended.

Members of the Second Class of the Civil Division not to exceed 346 in number.

XI. It is Ordained that the Civil Division of the Second Class, or Knights and Dames Commanders, shall not exceed three hundred and forty-six, of which number one hundred and seventy-eight shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, Our United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands (not more than sixteen to be so appointed in one year), and one hundred and sixty-eight shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, any other part or parts of Our Dominions, including India, Burma, or Countries under Our protection or Mandated Territories, or who have rendered services in relation to the Foreign Affairs of Our Empire (not more than sixteen to be so appointed in one year, of which number three may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for India, ten on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies), and one in a period of four years on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Burma.

Members of the Third Class of the Military Division not to exceed 422 in number.

XII. It is Ordained that the Military Division of the Third Class, or Commanders, shall not exceed four hundred and twenty-two, of which number sixty-two may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty (not more than six to be so appointed in one year, provided that not more than forty-four be so appointed in ten years), two hundred and forty-three on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War (not more than eighteen to be so appointed in one year), twenty-eight on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air (not more than three to be so appointed in two years), and eighty-nine on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies (not more than nine to be so appointed in one year); but that any vacancy arising by the death of a Commander so nominated shall be filled only on the recommendation of the Department by which the deceased Commander was recommended.

Members of the Third Class of the Civil Division not to exceed 1,640 in number.

XIII. It is Ordained that the Civil Division of the Third Class, or Commanders, shall not exceed sixteen hundred and forty, of which number eight hundred and fifty-five shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, Our United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands (not more than sixty-one to be so appointed in one year), and seven hundred and eighty-five shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, any other part or parts of Our Dominions, including India, Burma, or Countries under Our protection or Mandated Territories or who have rendered services in relation to the Foreign Affairs of Our Empire (not more than sixty-six to be so appointed in one year), of which number ten may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, five on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for India, and forty-nine on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies, and two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Burma.

Appointments to the Fourth Class of the Military Division not to exceed 97 in any one year.

XIV. It is Ordained that not more than ninety-seven appointments shall be made in any year to the Military Division of the Fourth Class, or Officers, of which number fourteen may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty (provided that not more than one hundred and ten may be so

appointed in ten years), fifty-four on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War, six on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air, and twenty-three on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies.

XV. It is Ordained that not more than three hundred and thirty-six appointments shall be made in any one year to the Civil Division of the Fourth Class, or Officers, of which number one hundred and forty shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, Our United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, and one hundred and ninety-six shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, any other part or parts of Our Dominions including India, Burma, or Countries under Our protection or Mandated Territories, or who have rendered services in relation to the Foreign Affairs of Our Empire, and that of the latter number eighteen may be made on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, thirty-six on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for India, one hundred and forty on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies, and two on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Burma.

Appointments to the Fourth Class of the Civil Division not to exceed 336 in any one year.

XVI. It is Ordained that not more than one hundred and sixty-one appointments shall be made in any year to the Military Division of the Fifth Class, or Members, of which number fourteen may be made on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty (provided that not more than one hundred and ten may be so appointed in ten years), one hundred and one on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War, seven on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air, and thirty-nine on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Appointments to the Fifth Class of the Military Division not to exceed 161 in any one year.

XVII. It is Ordained that not more than five hundred and nine appointments shall be made in any one year to the Civil Division of the Fifth Class, or Members, of which number two hundred and twenty shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, Our United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, and two hundred and eighty-nine shall be persons who have rendered meritorious service within, or connected with, any other part or parts of Our Dominions including India, Burma, or Countries under Our protection or Mandated Territories, or who have rendered services in relation to the Foreign Affairs of Our Empire, and that of the latter number twenty-four may be made on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, seventy (less two in five years) on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for India, one hundred and ninety-three on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies, and two (with the addition of two in five years) on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Burma.

Appointments to the Fifth Class of the Civil Division not to exceed 509 in any one year.

XVIII. It is Ordained that if the appointments authorised to be made annually in the first three classes as aforesaid be not made in any one year, the vacancies so arising may be filled in subsequent years, but that vacancies so arising in the fourth and fifth classes may not be so filled up.

Vacancies arising through non-appointment.

XIX. It is Ordained that those persons who were admitted into this Most Excellent Order prior to the twenty-ninth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and those persons who were admitted in recognition of their services in the military operations in Waziristan in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, or who were admitted in commemoration of the Twenty-fifth year of the reign of Our Royal Father His late Majesty King George the Fifth in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, and those persons whom We have thought fit to admit in commemoration of Our Royal Coronation on the twelfth day of May last, shall not now, or hereafter, be included within the number allotted to each class of the Order by the foregoing Statutes.

Certain appointments to be additional.

Appointment of Members of Royal Indian Navy, Indian Army and Indian Air Force. Appointment of Members of Dominion and Overseas Forces.

Vacancies in Fourth and Fifth Classes not taken up by Dominion and Overseas Forces may be transferred.

Names submitted for appointment to the Civil Division to be submitted to the Sovereign by the Prime Minister.

Names submitted for appointment to the Military Division to be submitted to the Sovereign by the First Lord of the Admiralty or the Secretaries of State for War or Air.

Members to receive Warrants of appointment to the Order.

Precedence of the Order.

Precedence of Knights Grand Cross.

Precedence and Style of Dames Grand Cross.

Precedence of Knights Commanders.

Precedence and Style of Dames Commanders.

Precedence of Commanders.

Precedence of Officers.

Precedence of Members.

XX. It is Ordained that in each Class of the Military Division the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty may include Members of Our Royal Indian Navy, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for War may include Members of Our Indian and Burma Armies, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Air may include Members of Our Indian Air Force, and that the persons who may be appointed on the recommendation of Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs or Our Secretary of State for the Colonies shall be Members of Our Dominion and other Overseas Defence Forces; but that in the Fourth and Fifth Classes of the Military Division in any year in which Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs and Our Secretary of State for the Colonies do not desire to recommend for appointment members of such Defence Forces to the full number permitted, an addition may be made to the number of appointments which may be made on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War and Our Secretary of State for Air (but so that the number of appointments made in that year on the recommendation of Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War, Our Secretary of State for Air, Our Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, and Our Secretary of State for the Colonies together do not exceed the provision authorised).

XXI. It is Ordained that the name of every person, other than a foreign person, to be appointed to be a Member of any Class of the Civil Division of this Order shall be laid before Us, Our heirs and successors, by Our Prime Minister, and that the name of every person, other than a foreign person, to be appointed to be a Member of any Class of the Military Division shall be laid before Us, Our heirs and successors by Our First Lord of the Admiralty, Our Secretary of State for War, or Our Secretary of State for Air as may be appropriate.

XXII. It is Ordained that when We, Our heirs or successors, shall be pleased to nominate and appoint any person to this Order such appointment shall be made by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual sealed with the Seal of this Order and countersigned by the Grand Master of the said Order.

XXIII. It is Ordained that this Order shall rank next to and immediately after our Royal Victorian Order, that in all solemn Ceremonies, Places and Assemblies the Knights Grand Cross of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, that the Dames Grand Cross of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Knights Grand Cross of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, and may on all occasions have, use and enjoy the appellation and style of Dame before their Christian or first names, that the Knights Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Knights Commanders of the ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER, that the Dames Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Knights Commanders of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, and may on all occasions have, use and enjoy the appellation and style of Dame before their Christian or first names, that the men who are Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Third Class of the ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER and the women who are Commanders of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Companions of the MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, that the men who are Officers of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Fourth Class of the Royal Victorian Order and the women who are Officers of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Members of the Fourth Class of the Royal Victorian Order, that the men who are Members of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately after the Members of the Fifth Class of the Royal Victorian Order and that the women who are Members of this Order shall have place and precedence next to and immediately before the wives of Members of the Fifth Class of the Royal Victorian Order.

XXIV. It is Ordained that the Insignia and Robes of the Sovereign of this Order shall be of the same material and fashion as are hereinafter appointed for the Knights Grand Cross, save only with those alterations which distinguish Our Royal Dignity.

Insignia of The Sovereign.

XXV. It is Ordained that the Grand Master shall wear the Insignia and Robes of a Knight Grand Cross, save that the Badge for the Grand Master shall be augmented in such manner as the Sovereign shall command.

Insignia of The Grand Master.

XXVI. It is Ordained that the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross shall at all Investitures of the Order and upon all great and solemn occasions to be appointed, wear mantles of rose-pink satin, lined with pearl grey silk, fastened with a cordon of pearl grey silk, having two rose pink and silver tassels attached thereto, on the left side of which mantles shall be embroidered a representation of the Star of a Knight Grand Cross or Dame Grand Cross of the said Order, which shall be composed of chipped silver rays of eight points in the centre whereof shall be a gold medallion bearing the crowned effigies of His late Majesty King George the Fifth and Her Majesty Queen Mary combined within a circle gules inscribed with the motto "For God and the Empire" in letters of gold. And we do command that on all occasions whatsoever the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross shall wear the Star upon the left side of their coats or outer garments. And We do command that the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this MOST EXCELLENT ORDER shall wear, at all Investitures of the Order and on all days usually termed "Collar Days," a collar, of silver gilt composed of six medallions of Our Royal Arms and six medallions of the Royal and Imperial Cypher of His late Majesty King George the Fifth alternately, linked together with cables thereon Our Imperial Crown between two sea lions, from which shall hang the Badge of the First Class of the Order, which shall consist of a cross patonce, enamelled pearl, fimbriated or, surmounted by a gold medallion as in the Star of the Order, and ensigned with the Imperial Crown or; on the reverse of the Badge shall be engraved the Royal and Imperial Cypher of His late Majesty King George the Fifth. That on all other occasions the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross shall wear the Badge of the Order suspended from a rose pink riband edged with pearl grey passing from the right shoulder to the left side. In the case of Knights Grand Cross the riband to be of the breadth of four inches, with, for Military Knights Grand Cross, the addition of a vertical pearl grey stripe in the centre of the riband of a width of about one quarter of an inch, and in the case of Dames Grand Cross to be of the breadth of two inches and one-quarter, but without the addition for Military Dames Grand Cross of a vertical pearl grey stripe in the centre of the riband.

Mantles and Insignia of Knights and Dames Grand Cross.

Star.

Collars.

Badge.

It is further Ordained that all Ordinary and Honorary Knights and Dames Grand Cross who have received, or shall receive, Collars of this Order shall make arrangements for their return to the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood in the event of the said Knights Grand Cross or Dames Grand Cross either receiving Collars of an Order of higher rank and precedence or of their decease; Foreign Ambassadors and Ministers at the Court of Saint James's on whom The Sovereign is pleased to confer the Dignity of an Honorary Knight Grand Cross transmitting their Collars of the Order to the Central Chancery on their return to their own Countries; and We are pleased to declare that every Ordinary or Honorary Knight Grand Cross or Dame Grand Cross who receives a Collar of this Order shall upon receiving the Collar give a written undertaking and promise to comply with this Ordinance.

Collars to be returned to the Central Chancery.

XXVII. It is Ordained that the Military and Civil Knights Commanders shall wear around their necks a riband of the same colour and pattern as that of the Military and Civil Knights Grand Cross, of the breadth of one inch and three-quarters, the vertical pearl grey stripe in the case of Military Knights Commanders to be of the width of about one-sixteenth of an inch, and pendent therefrom the Badge of the Knights Commanders of the Order, which shall be of similar form and pattern to that appointed for the Knights Grand Cross, but of smaller size; and also that they shall wear on the left side of their coats or outer garments a chipped silver star composed of four greater and four lesser points, charged with

Insignia of Knights Commanders.

Insignia of Dames
Commanders.

a medallion as before; and it is Ordained that the Military and Civil Dames Commanders shall wear a badge of similar form and pattern to that appointed for Knights Commanders, attached to a riband also similar to that worn by Military and Civil Knights Commanders but tied in a bow and worn on the left shoulder, and that they shall wear a like star.

Insignia of
Commanders.

XXVIII. It is Ordained that the Military and Civil Commanders shall wear, in the same manner, a riband and badge similar to those appointed for the Military and Civil Knights and Dames Commanders respectively, but that they shall not be entitled to wear the Star.

Insignia of Officers.

XXIX. It is Ordained that the Military and Civil Officers shall wear, pendent from a riband attached to the left breast of their coats or outer garments by men and tied in a bow on the left shoulder by women, a badge of the same form and pattern as that appointed for the Military and Civil Commanders of the Order, but of a smaller size and of silver gilt, the riband to be of the same colour and pattern as beforementioned but of the breadth of one inch and a half, the vertical pearl grey stripe in the case of the Military Officers to be of the width of one-sixteenth of an inch.

Insignia of
Members.

XXX. It is Ordained that the Military and Civil Members shall wear in the same manner a riband and badge similar to those appointed for Military and Civil Officers of the Order except that the badge shall be in silver.

Investiture of
Knights and
Dames Grand
Cross, Knights and
Dames Commanders
will be carried out
by The Sovereign
or by the Viceroy
of India the
Governors General
of Canada, the
Commonwealth of
Australia, New
Zealand, and the
Union of South
Africa, or elsewhere
by persons
appointed by The
Sovereign.

The Ceremony of
Investiture.

XXXI. It is Ordained that upon the nomination of any person to be a Knight Grand Cross, Dame Grand Cross, Knight Commander, or Dame Commander of this Order, he or she shall be invested with the Insignia of his or her dignity in the Order by Us, Our heirs and successors if he or she be resident at the time in this country, but if he or she be resident in India, by Our Viceroy of India in Our name and on Our behalf, and if he or she be resident in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, or South Africa by Our Governors General of Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand, or the Union of South Africa respectively, and if resident elsewhere, by such person as We may be pleased to appoint specially for the purpose, in Our name and on Our behalf and that on the day of the Investiture the person to be invested shall be introduced into the presence of the Sovereign, the Viceroy of India, or the Governors General of Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand, or the Union of South Africa, or the person specially appointed by Us as aforesaid, as the case may be, by the Officer of the Order, or other Officer deputed to be in attendance, bearing the proper Insignia of the Order, when the Sovereign, Viceroy, or Governor General, or the person specially appointed as aforesaid, having in the case of Knights Grand Cross and Knights Commanders conferred the Honour of Knighthood upon the person so nominated should he have not previously received the said Honour, will then proceed to invest him or her with the Ensigns of the said Order in the following manner:—The Sovereign, Viceroy or Governor General, or person specially appointed as aforesaid, will invest the new Knight Grand Cross, Dame Grand Cross, Knight Commander or Dame Commander with the riband and badge and will deliver to him or her, or place on his or her left side, the star of the said Order appertaining to his or her dignity.

Warrants to
authorise
distinguished
persons to perform
the Ceremony of
Investiture on
behalf of The
Sovereign and also
to dispense with
the Ceremony.

XXXII. It is further Ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our heirs and successors, by a Warrant, or Warrants under Our, or their, Sign Manual countersigned by the Grand Master and sealed with the Seal of this Order, to authorise, some distinguished person to perform in Our name and on Our behalf the Ceremony of investing Knights Grand Cross, Dames Grand Cross, Knights Commanders or Dames Commanders with the Insignia of their respective dignities, 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, full power and authority to permit and authorise such persons to wear the Insignia and enjoy the privileges appertaining to their respective dignities in as full and ample a manner as if they had been invested by Us, Our heirs and successors.

Return of Insignia
on promotion.

XXXIII. It is Ordained that on the promotion of a person from a lower to a higher class in the same Division of this Order the Insignia of such lower class theretofore worn by him or her shall be returned to the Registrar of the Order for the service of the Order. It is further Ordained that on the promotion of a

person from a lower class in one Division to a higher class in the other Division of this Order, the Insignia of the class theretofore worn by him or her, unless awarded for Military Service in the Great War, 1914-1918, shall be returned to the Registrar of the Order for the Service of the Order, and that on the resignation or decease of an Official of the Order his Badge of Office shall be restored for the service of the Order.

Return of Badges of Officials.

XXXIV. It is Ordained that for the greater honour and dignity of this Order it shall and may be lawful for the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this Order upon all occasions to bear Supporters to their Arms; and We do by these Presents direct and command Our Garter Principal King of Arms for the time being to grant Supporters to such Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this Order as shall not otherwise be entitled thereto; and that it shall also be lawful for Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this Order to surround their Armorial Bearings with the circle and motto of the Order and to suspend therefrom a representation of their riband and badge, and for Knights Commanders, Dames Commanders and Commanders of this Order to surround their Armorial Bearings with the circle and motto of the Order and to suspend therefrom a representation of their riband and badge, and for the Officers and Members of the Order to suspend a representation of their riband and respective badges from the bottom of the escutcheon containing their Armorial Bearings.

Knights and Dames Grand Cross allowed supporters to their Arms.

Armorial Ensigns.

XXXV. It is Ordained that the Seal of the Order shall consist of the arms purpure a representation of the Badge, of the First Class of the Order proper impaling Our Royal Arms, with the following circumscription "The Seal of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire," and that the Statutes of the Order shall be sealed by and with the same.

The Seal of the Order.

XXXVI. 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 or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State whose Department the matter doth properly concern, to cancel and annul the appointment of any person to this Order, and that thereupon his or her name in the Register shall be erased; but that it shall be competent for the Sovereign to restore to the Order any person whose appointment may have been so cancelled and annulled when such recommendation has been withdrawn.

Cancellation of Appointments to the Order.

XXXVII. It is Ordained that a Military and Civil Medal of this Order shall be awarded to persons who perform acts of gallantry warranting such mark of Our Royal appreciation, and that any person to whom such Medal has been, or may be, awarded may, on all occasions when the use of such letters is customary, place after his or her names the letters "E.G.M." (Empire Gallantry Medal) and that any Member of the Order upon whom such Medal has been, or may be, conferred shall be entitled to wear it in addition to the Insignia of the Order. It is also Ordained that a further act of gallantry deemed worthy of the award of the Medal performed by a person upon whom the Medal has been conferred shall be recorded by a Bar attached to the riband from which the Medal is suspended, and that for every additional such act an additional bar may be awarded.

Medal of the Order, for Gallantry.

XXXVIII. It is further Ordained that a Military and Civil Medal of this Order shall be awarded to persons who render meritorious service warranting such mark of Our Royal appreciation. Such Civil Medal shall not be awarded to Members of any of the five Classes of the Order or to persons eligible for appointment thereto, and such Military Medal shall only be awarded to persons subordinate to those who are eligible for the Military Division of the various Classes of the Order, but a recipient of the Medal, whether Military or Civil, who may subsequently be appointed a Member of one of the five Classes of the Order, may continue to wear the Medal in addition to the Insignia of the Order.

Medal of the Order, for Meritorious Service.

XXXIX. It is Ordained that the Medal of the MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE for men and for women shall consist of a circular medal in silver, having on the obverse a representation of Britannia with the motto of the Order, and, upon the exergue, the words "FOR GALLANTRY," or "FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE," and on the reverse the Royal and Imperial Cypher of the Sovereign,

Description of Medals.

and the words "INSTITUTED BY KING GEORGE V," and shall be worn on the left side suspended from a clasp to a rose pink riband edged with pearl grey of one inch and one-quarter in width, with the addition, in the case of recipients of the Military Medal of the Order, of a vertical pearl grey stripe in the centre of the riband of about one-sixteenth of an inch, and that the clasp shall be ornamented with laurel leaves for gallantry, or with oak leaves for meritorious service, as the case may be. And it is further Ordained that the riband of the Medal "For Gallantry" shall be ornamented with a branch of laurel in silver.

XL. It is further 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 or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State whose Department the matter doth properly concern, to cancel and annul the award of any Medal of the said Order, and that thereupon the name of the recipient in the Register shall be erased; but that it shall be competent for the Sovereign to restore the Medal to any person whose name may have been erased when circumstances render it just and expedient so to do.

XLI. It is Ordained that the Twenty-fourth day of May every year shall henceforth be taken and deemed to be the anniversary of the institution of this Order.

XLII. It is Ordained that the following Officials shall be appointed to this Order, a Prelate, King of Arms, Registrar, Secretary, Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod.

XLIII. It is Ordained that the Prelate of the Order shall wear, in all Ceremonies of the Order, a Mantle similar to that appointed for the Knights Grand Cross, and a Badge, of gold and enamel, "on a field purple the Cross of the Order surmounted by the medallion, the whole within the circle and motto of the Order ensigned with the Imperial Crown." That at Ceremonies of the Order and on other great and solemn occasions he shall wear the Badge pendent from a gold chain, but on all other occasions pendent from a riband similar to that assigned to Civil Knights Commanders. It is further Ordained that it shall be lawful for the Prelate to surround his Armorial Bearings with the circle and motto of the Order.

XLIV. It is Ordained that the King of Arms of this Order shall be nominated by Us, Our heirs and successors, and that he shall sedulously attend the Service of the Order. And further it is ordained that in all ceremonies of the Order he shall be habited in a mantle of pearl grey satin lined with rose pink silk, tied with a cordon of pearl grey silk, with two tassels of rose pink silk and gold attached thereto, and having on the right shoulder an escutcheon purple charged with a representation of Britannia; and that he shall wear, pendent from a gold chain round his neck, a badge, of gold and enamel, "on a field purple a representation of Britannia or, impaling the Arms of the Sovereign, the whole within a circle and motto of the Order ensigned with the Imperial Crown." That he shall carry the Rod of this Order, which shall have on the two greater squares the Arms "purple a representation of Britannia or," impaling those of the Sovereign, and on the lesser squares the Arms "purple a representation of Britannia or," the whole ensigned with the Imperial Crown, and that at all Coronations he shall if present carry and wear a Crown as Our other Kings of Arms are accustomed to do, the said badge, rod and crown to be of the same materials as those used and borne by Our Garter Principal King of Arms, and that at all other ceremonials and assemblies he shall, if present, have place and precedence among Our Kings of Arms next to and immediately after the King of Arms of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.

XLV. It is Ordained that the Registrar of this Order shall be the person for the time being holding the Office of Secretary of the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood, that he shall record all proceedings connected with this MOST EXCELLENT ORDER in a register to be appropriated for that purpose, and shall, under the directions of the Grand Master, prepare all Warrants and other Instruments to be passed under the Seal of the Order and engross the same, that he shall summon the Knights Grand Cross to attend the Sovereign at all investitures of this Order, and that in all ceremonies of the Order he shall be habited in a

Cancellation of Award of Medal.

Anniversary of the Order.

Officials of the Order.

The Prelate.

His Mantle.

His Badge.

Armorial Ensigns.

The King of Arms.

His Mantle.

His Badge.

To carry the Rod of the Order.

His Precedence.

The Registrar.

His Duties.

His Mantle and Insignia.

mantle similar to that assigned to the King of Arms of this Order, and shall wear, pendent from a gold chain round his neck, a badge, of gold and enamel, "on a field purple the Cross of the Order surmounted by a representation of a closed book gules, clasps or, the whole within the circle and motto of the Order ensigned with the Imperial Crown."

XLVI. It is Ordained that the Secretary of this Order shall be the person holding for the time being the Office of Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, that he shall collect and tabulate the names of those persons who are submitted to Us for admission to this Order or to be awarded the Medal of this Order; that in all ceremonies of the Order he shall be habited in a mantle similar to that assigned to the King of Arms of this Order, and shall wear, pendent from a gold chain round his neck, a badge, of gold and enamel, "on a field purple the Cross of the Order surmounted by the medallion, with two pens saltirewise between the angles of the Cross in pearl enamel, the whole within the circle and motto of the Order ensigned with the Imperial Crown."

The Secretary.

His Duties.

His Mantle and Insignia.

XLVII. It is Ordained that the Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod of this MOST EXCELLENT ORDER shall be appointed by Us, Our heirs and successors; that in all ceremonies of the Order he shall be habited in a mantle similar to that assigned to the King of Arms of the Order, and shall wear, pendent from a gold chain round his neck, a badge, of gold and enamel, "on a field purple a representation of Britannia or, the whole within the circle and motto of the Order ensigned with the Imperial Crown," and that he shall carry the Purple Rod of the Order, having at the top an escrol thereon the motto of the Order surmounted by a representation of Britannia.

The Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod.

His Mantle and Insignia.

XLVIII. It is Ordained that such mantles and insignia as in these Statutes the Officials of the Order are directed to wear shall be prepared at the charge of the Sovereign and be furnished by the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood upon receipt of a mandate issued for that purpose by the Grand Master of the Order, and that the Officials of the Order shall make arrangements for their return to the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood in the event of their vacating their offices or of their decease.

Mantles and Insignia of Officials of the Order to be returned to the Central Chancery.

XLIX. It is Ordained that all and every of the Officials of this Order shall, over and above the duties more specially imposed by the foregoing Statutes, execute diligently whatever the Sovereign or Grand Master may be pleased to command touching the interests of the said Order, and that the said Offices of Prelate, King of Arms, Registrar, Secretary, and Gentleman Usher shall be holden during good behaviour.

Duties of the Officials.

L. It is Ordained that the Miniature Badges to be worn by the Members of the five Classes of this Order shall be reproductions of the Badges of the respective Classes, save that they shall in all cases be only one-half the size of the Badge hereinbefore Ordained for Members of the Fourth Class, or Officers, of the Order.

Miniature Badges.

It is also Ordained that Sealed Patterns of the said Miniature Badges shall be deposited and kept in the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood.

LI. 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 Fourth day of June, 1917.

Statutes to be observed.

LII. 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.

Power reserved to alter Statutes.

GIVEN at Our Court at Saint James's, the Thirtieth day of July, One Thousand Nine hundred and Thirty-seven, in the First Year of Our Reign.

BY HIS MAJESTY'S COMMAND.

SAMUEL HOARE.

Despatch—Statutes of the Imperial Service Order.

Office of the Minister of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 18th March, 1938.

THE following Despatch received from the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs is published for general information.

P. C. WEBB,
For the Minister of Internal Affairs.

NEW ZEALAND.
HONOURS.

Downing Street,
1st February, 1938.

MY LORD,—

I have the honour to transmit two copies of the Statutes of the Imperial Service Order.

I have, &c.,
MALCOLM MACDONALD.

Governor-General
His Excellency
Colonel

The Right Honourable
Viscount Galway, G.C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E.,
etc. etc. etc.

THE STATUTES OF THE IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER.

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 all to whom these presents shall come: Greeting!

WHEREAS by Warrants under His late Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, dated the Eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two and the second year of His Reign, the twenty-ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six and the sixth year of His Reign, the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eight and the eighth year of His Reign, and the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and nine in the ninth year of His Reign, His late Majesty, being desirous of recognizing more fully than had theretofore been possible the faithful and meritorious services rendered to Him by Members of the Civil Services of the various parts of His Empire, did, for Himself, His Heirs and Successors institute and create a new Civil Order of Distinction—to be designated the Imperial Service Order—and He was graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Rules and Ordinances for the government of the same:

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments and additions to the Statutes of the Order:

Now, THEREFORE, in pursuance and in the exercise of the power vested in Us by the aforesaid Statutes, and in order to enable Us to carry this Our Will and Pleasure into effect, We do hereby abrogate the aforesaid Statutes of the eighth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and two, the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, the twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nine, and the same are abrogated accordingly, but without prejudice to anything done thereunder; and in lieu thereof, We do by these Presents, Make, Ordain, and Establish the following Statutes and Ordinances:

Firstly.—It is ordained that this Order shall henceforth be styled and designated “The Imperial Service Order.”

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Order shall consist of the Sovereign, the Prince of Wales, and such Companions as We, Our Heirs or Successors, shall appoint.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that We, Our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperors and Empresses of India, are and for ever shall be Sovereigns of this Order.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that only the Members of the administrative or clerical branches of Our Civil Services shall be eligible for the distinction of Companions of this Order.

Fifthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 1st June, 1928, q.v.*)

Sixthly.—It is ordained that no person shall be eligible to be a Companion of the Order whose name has not been laid before Us, Our Heirs or Successors, by one of Our or Their Principal Secretaries of State, and who has not at the time of his or her nomination rendered at least twenty-five years' meritorious service in Our said Civil Services: Provided that in the Indian Empire the minimum period of service in the case of Europeans shall be twenty years, and that in any part of Our Dominions beyond the Seas, or any Country under Our Protection, which, under the Pensions Acts or Regulations applying thereto, is recognized as unhealthy, the minimum of service shall be sixteen years: Provided also that it shall be competent to Us, Our Heirs or Successors, to appoint specially to the Order persons who, not having completed the aforesaid periods of service, have rendered such eminently meritorious service as to qualify them, in Our opinion, to become recipients of this distinction.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that when We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall be pleased to appoint any person to be a Companion of the Order, such appointment shall be made by Warrant under Our Sign Manual and countersigned by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

Eighthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 11th January, 1937, q.v.*)

Ninthly.—It is ordained that the decoration shall be worn by male Companions on the left breast, suspended by a ribbon of one inch and a half in width, consisting of a strip of blue between two strips of crimson of equal size, and by female Companions on the left shoulder, suspended by a ribbon of the same colour and width, fashioned into a bow.

Tenthly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We are pleased to confer the decoration shall be published in the London Gazette.

Eleventhly.—It is ordained that Companions of the Order shall have the privilege of adding the letters “I.S.O.” after their names.

Twelfthly.—It is ordained that members of any Order of Knighthood shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible to become Companions of this Order, and that male Companions of this Order shall in no way be debarred from becoming thereafter Members of any Order of Knighthood for which their services may qualify them.

Thirteenthly.—It is ordained that the Imperial Service Order shall rank next to, and immediately after, Our Distinguished Service Order, and before the Fifth Class of Our Royal Victorian Order, and the Companions thereof shall, in all places and assemblies whatsoever, have place and precedence next to and immediately after, the Companions of the Distinguished Service Order, and shall rank among themselves according to the dates of their respective nominations.

Fourteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 14th January, 1926, q.v.*)

Fifteenthly.—It is ordained that those Members of Our Civil Services who are not eligible for appointment as Companions of this Order may, on retirement from Our said Services, after not less than twenty-five years of meritorious service, or, in the case of Europeans serving in the Indian Empire, after not less than twenty years of such service, or in the case of service in any part of Our Dominions beyond the Seas, or any Country under Our Protection which under the Pensions Acts or Regulations applying thereto is recognized as unhealthy, after not less than sixteen years of such service, be awarded a Medal to be designated "The Imperial Service Medal": Provided that no such Medal shall be granted except on the recommendation of one of Our Principal Secretaries of State: Provided also that it shall be competent to Us, Our Heirs or Successors, to confer the Medal upon not more than five Members of Our Civil Services in each year, who have retired after less than twenty-five years' service, should the special circumstances in Our or Their opinion justify the grant.

Sixteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 16th June, 1920, q.v.*)

Seventeenthly.—It is ordained that the names of those persons to whom the Imperial Service Medal shall be granted shall be duly published in the London Gazette.

Eighteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 14th January, 1926, q.v.*)

Nineteenthly.—It is ordained that an Officer shall be appointed to the Order who shall be styled "Secretary and Registrar," and who shall be *ex-officio* a Companion of the Order.

Twentiethly.—It is ordained that the Secretary and Registrar of this Order shall be appointed by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, and shall have the custody of the Archives of the Order, which shall be kept in the Office of Our Secretary of State for the Home Department. He shall attend the service of the Order and shall execute such directions as he may receive from Our Principal Secretaries of State.

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

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, in the Second Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

REGINALD MCKENNA.

GEORGE R. I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, Sovereign of the Imperial Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come: Greeting!

WHEREAS by Warrants under His late Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, dated the Eighth day of August in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two and the second year of His Reign, the twenty-ninth day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six and the sixth year of His Reign, the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eight and

the eighth year of His Reign, and the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and nine in the ninth year of His Reign, His late Majesty, being desirous of recognising more fully than had theretofore been possible the faithful and meritorious services rendered to Him by Members of the Civil Services of the various parts of His Empire, did, for Himself, His Heirs and Successors institute and create a new Civil Order of Distinction—to be designated the Imperial Service Order—and a Medal—to be designated the Imperial Service Medal—and He was graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the same, reserving to Himself, His Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the Order.

AND WHEREAS We by Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, did consolidate and amend the said Statutes and Ordinances :

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments and additions to the Statutes of the Order :

Sixteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 11th January, 1937, q.v.*)

Given at Our Court of Saint James's, the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, in the Eleventh Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
EDWARD SHORTT.

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, Sovereign of the Imperial Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come : Greeting !

WHEREAS by Warrants under Our Sign Manual, dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, We were graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the Imperial Service Order and the Imperial Service Medal, reserving to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the Order :

AND WHEREAS reproductions of the Badges of the said Order, known as Miniature Badges, are worn on certain occasions, and it appears to Us to be expedient that the size and pattern of such Miniature Badges should be clearly defined :

Now We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Make, Ordain and Establish the following additional Statutes and Ordinances :—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the Miniature Badges worn by the Companions of the Imperial Service Order shall be half the size of the Badges of the Companions of the said Order.

Secondly.—It is ordained that Sealed Patterns of the said Miniature Badges shall be deposited and kept in the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood.

AND it is Our Will and Pleasure that these special Statutes shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court of Saint James's, this seventeenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, in the Fourteenth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. C. BRIDGEMAN.

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, Sovereign of the Imperial Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come: Greeting!

WHEREAS by Warrants under Our Royal Sign Manual, dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and the seventeenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, We were graciously pleased to Make, Ordain and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the Imperial Service Order and the Imperial Service Medal, reserving to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the said Order:

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments to the Statutes of the said Order:

Now We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, abrogate the fourteenth and eighteenth clauses of the said Warrant of the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in lieu thereof Make, Ordain and Establish the following Statutes and Ordinances:—

Fourteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 25th August, 1932, q.v.*)

Eighteenthly.—(*Abrogated by the Warrant dated 25th August, 1932, q.v.*)

AND it is Our Will and Pleasure that these Statutes shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in the Sixteenth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

W. JOYNSON-HICKS.

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, Sovereign of the Imperial Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come: Greeting!

WHEREAS by Warrants under Our Royal Sign Manual, dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, the seventeenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, We were graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the Imperial Service Order and the Imperial Service Medal, reserving to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the said Order:

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments to the Statutes of the said Order:

Now We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, abrogate the fifth clause of the said Warrant of the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in lieu thereof Make, Ordain and Establish the following Statute:—

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the number of Companions of the Order shall not exceed seven hundred, of whom two hundred and fifty shall belong to Our Home

Civil Service, two hundred to Our Civil Services in India, including the Staff of Our Secretary of State for India, and two hundred and fifty to the Civil Services of our Dominions beyond the Seas, and Countries under Our Protection, including the Staff of the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

AND it is Our Will and Pleasure that this Statute shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in the Nineteenth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

W. JOYNSON-HICKS.

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, Sovereign of the Imperial Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come: Greeting!

WHEREAS by Warrants under Our Royal Sign Manual, dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, the seventeenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, We were graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the Imperial Service Order and the Imperial Service Medal, reserving to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the said Order:

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments to the Statutes of the said Order:

Now We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, abrogate the said Warrant of the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in lieu thereof Make, Ordain and Establish the following Statutes:—

Fourteenthly.—It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, by an Order under Our Sign Manual and on a recommendation to that effect by or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, to cancel and annul the appointment of any person to this Order and that thereupon his or her name in the Register shall be erased: Provided that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors to restore to the Order any person whose appointment may have been so cancelled and annulled when such recommendation has been withdrawn.

Eighteenthly.—It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, by an Order under Our Sign Manual and on a recommendation to that effect by or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, to cancel and annul the award to any person of an Imperial Service Medal and that thereupon his or her name in the Register shall be erased: Provided that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors to restore any Imperial Service Medal which may have been so forfeited when such recommendation has been withdrawn. And every person to whom the said Medal is awarded shall, before receiving the same, enter into an agreement to return it if his or her name shall be erased as aforesaid.

AND it is Our Will and Pleasure that these Statutes shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court at Balmoral, the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, in the Twenty-third Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

SAMUEL HOARE.

GEORGE R. I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, 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 His late Majesty King Edward VII being desirous of recognizing more fully than had theretofore been possible the faithful and meritorious services rendered to Him by Members of the Civil Services of the various parts of His Empire, did by Warrants under the Royal Sign Manual dated the eighth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and two, the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, the twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nine, for Himself, His Heirs and Successors institute and create a new Civil Order of Distinction—to be designated the Imperial Service Order—and He was graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Rules and Ordinances for the government of the same :

AND WHEREAS His late Majesty King George V by Warrants under the Royal Sign Manual dated the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, the seventeenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, and the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two did Make, Ordain, and Establish Statutes and Ordinances for the government of the Imperial Service Order and the Imperial Service Medal, reserving to Himself His Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating and augmenting, interpreting and dispensing with those Statutes by a notification under the Sign Manual of the Sovereign of the said Order :

AND WHEREAS We are minded to make certain amendments to the Statutes of the said Order :

Now We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, abrogate the Eighth clause of the said Warrant of the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and the said Warrant of the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and in lieu thereof Make, Ordain and Establish the following Statutes :

Eighthly.—It is ordained that the decoration to be worn by Companions of the Order shall be : for men, a Badge or Medallion of gold or enamel, bearing the Imperial and Royal Cypher of the Sovereign, and the words " For Faithful Service," both to be executed in dark blue enamel on a plaque or shield of gold, surrounded by a seven-pointed star of silver, surmounted by the Imperial Crown ; and for women, a Badge or Medallion in all respects similar to the Badge or Medallion for men, save that the plaque or shield of gold shall be surrounded by a wreath of laurel in silver instead of a star, surmounted by the Imperial Crown.

Sixteenthly.—It is ordained that the Imperial Service Medal for men and women respectively shall be a circular medal of silver bearing the Effigy of the Sovereign on the obverse and on the reverse an appropriate design and the words " For Faithful Service," and on the rim of the Medal the name of the recipient, and it is ordained that the Imperial Service Medal shall be worn in a similar manner to that prescribed for the Imperial Service Order.

AND it is Our Will and pleasure that these Statutes shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes of the said Order.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham the Eleventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, in the First year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

JOHN SIMON.

GEORGE R. I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, 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 His late Majesty King George the Fifth did by Warrant under His Royal Sign Manual bearing date the First day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight ordain that the number of Companions of the Imperial Service Order shall not exceed seven hundred, of whom two hundred and fifty shall belong to Our Home Civil Service, two hundred to Our Civil Services in India, including the Staff of Our Secretary of State for India, and two hundred and fifty to the Civil Services of Our Dominions beyond the Seas, and Countries under Our Protection, including the Staff of the Crown Agents for the Colonies:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that in the present year of Our Coronation We may be enabled to appoint Companions of the said Order in excess of the number so fixed:

NOW THEREFORE We do by these Presents for Us Our Heirs and Successors Ordain that there may be appointed supernumerary Companions in addition to the number of seven hundred mentioned in the aforesaid Warrant subject to the condition that vacancies occurring in the number of supernumerary Companions shall not be filled up.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the Third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, in the First year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

JOHN SIMON.

