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CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT
 MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE,
 DOWNING STREET, January 1, 1901.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following promotion in, and appointments to, the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be Ordinary Members of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Sir Henry Nevill Dering, Bart., C.B., Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of Brazil.

The Honourable William Augustus Curzon Barrington, Her Majesty's Envoy and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic.

John Gordon Kennedy, Esq., Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of His Majesty the King of Roumania.

Colonel Herbert Jekyll, Royal Engineer, C.M.G., Secretary to the Royal Commission for the Paris Universal International Exhibition of 1900.

To be Ordinary Members of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Charles Clive Bigham, Esq., Honorary Attaché to Her Majesty's Legation at Peking.

Charles William Campbell, Esq., Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Shanghai.

[Both the above-named Gentlemen were attached to Admiral Seymour's force, and were mentioned in Despatches.]

Pelham Laird Warren, Esq., Her Majesty's Consul-General at Hankow.

William Richard Carles, Esq., Her Majesty's Consul at Tientsin.

Everard Duncan Home Fraser, Esq., Her Majesty's Consul at Chinkiang.

Edmund Robert Spearman, Esq., and Lionel Earle, Esq., Assistant-Secretaries to the Royal Commission for the Paris Universal International Exhibition of 1900.

Herbert Hughes, Esq., for services in connection with International Industrial Conferences.

JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to section 7 (4) of 43 Vict. cap. 19 (Companies Act, 1880), that the names of the under-mentioned Companies have been this day struck off the Register, and that such Companies are hereby dissolved:—

Banana Steamship Company (Limited).
 Glasgow Gold, Silver, and Copper Extracting Syndicate, Limited.
 Steamship 'Harold' Company, Limited.

KENNETH MACKENZIE,

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Exchequer Chambers, Edinburgh,
 11th January 1901.

REDUCTION OF RATES FOR TELEGRAMS TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, AND TASMANIA.

The rates to South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania have been reduced, and are now as follows:—

	Per word.	
	s.	d.
South Australia—		
Eastern Company	}	3 6
Indo-European Company		
Via Turkey	3 4	
Western Australia—		
Eastern Company	}	3 6
Indo-European Company		
Via Turkey	3 4	
Tasmania—		
Eastern Company	}	3 6
Indo-European Company		
Via Turkey	3 4	

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE,

January 3, 1901.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. C. Stuart, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Acts, at Chirnside, in the County of Berwick, is vacant.

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE

January 4, 1901.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. A. Gillespie Smith, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Acts, at Newtyle, in the County of Forfar, is vacant.