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COURT OF CLAIMS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, WHITEHALL, July 1, 1901.

ALL persons desirous of presenting Petitions or Claims concerning Services to be done or performed by them at the time of the ensuing Coronation, pursuant to His Majesty's Royal Proclamation of the 26th June last, may send the same under cover to the Clerks of the Court of Claims, Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

The Commissioners are required by the Proclamation to exclude from their consideration such claims as may be submitted to them in respect of rights or services connected with the parts of the Ceremonial heretofore performed in Westminster Hall and with the Procession, the Ceremony being confined to Westminster Abbey.

FOREIGN OFFICE, July 10, 1901.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from the Chairman of the Commission appointed to investigate the claims to compensation made by persons, the subjects of various Friendly Powers, in consequence of their deportation to Europe by the British Military Authorities in South Africa, the following Notice respecting the procedure of the Commission:—

PROCEDURE OF THE COMMISSION.

On and after 15th July, in the absence of further oral evidence, the Commission propose to hear claims unsupported by oral evidence.

The nature of the evidence to be given will be left to the discretion of the Representatives of the

various Friendly Powers. Documentary evidence may be adduced for the proof of such claims. Similar evidence will then be admissible in rebuttal.

In order to facilitate the work of the Commission it is desired to consider the claims by Nationalities.

Due notice will be given to the Representatives of the Friendly Powers when the claims put forward by their respective Governments will be reached. Thereafter, subject to any subsequent arrangement to be made with the Secretary for the convenience of any Representative, the claims will be heard in the following order:—

- (1) Austro-Hungarian.
- (2) Dutch.
- (3) Italian.
- (4) American.
- (5) French.
- (6) Russian.
- (7) German.
- (8) Spanish.
- (9) Swedish and Norwegian.

CHANCERY OF THE ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER,

ST. JAMES' PALACE, July 9, 1901.

The King has been graciously pleased to make the following appointment to the Royal Victorian Order:—

To be *Honorary Knight Grand Cross.*

His Imperial Highness The Grand Duke Michael Michaelowitch of Russia.