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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1903.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 16th day of February 1903.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day the Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, K.C.V.O., was, by His Majesty's command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

FOREIGN OFFICE, February 17, 1903.

It is hereby notified that the Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G., His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received, through the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a telegraphic Despatch from Vice-Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas, Commander-in-Chief on the North America and West Indies Station, announcing that he has issued a notification to the effect that the Blockade of the Ports of La Guayra, Carenero, Guanta, Cumana, Carupano, and the mouths of the Oriuoco by a British naval force, established on the 20th of December 1902 (of which notice was given in the London Gazette of that date), is raised from midnight, 14th-15th February.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, February 13, 1903.

This day had Audience of the King—
Baron Carl Nils Daniel de Bildt, to present his Credentials as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway.

WHITEHALL, February 14, 1903.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto each of the under-mentioned Officers and Gentlemen His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Ottoman Order appearing against his name, the decorations in question having been conferred by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey:—

Third Class, Medjidieh.

Captain Hubert Alaric Bray, Royal Army Medical Corps.

Captain Edgar Herbert Armstrong, Lancashire Fusiliers.

Fourth Class, Osmanieh.

Hyla Edwin Brian, Esq., Egyptian Army Military School Staff.

Fourth Class, Medjidieh.

Captain Horace Hayman Wilson, Lancashire Fusiliers.

Captain Hugh Moore Hutchinson, D.S.O., Connaught Rangers.

Bandmaster (Second Lieutenant) Charles Franklin, Royal Irish Rifles.

Frederick Sturge Plunkett, Esq., Egyptian Army Military School Staff.

WHITEHALL, February 16, 1903.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain Robert Byron Drury Blakeney, D.S.O., Royal Engineers, His Majesty's Royal