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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1908.

SCOTTISH OFFICE, WHITEHALL, February 24, 1908.

THE King has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 21st instant, to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, nominating, constituting, and appointing the Right Honourable Lord Kinnaird to be His Majesty's High Commissioner to the next Meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

WHITEHALL, January 18, 1908.

The King has been pleased to allow Miss Margaret Jane Lamb, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to receive the Edward Medal of the First Class in recognition of the gallant action of her brother, the late George Huddleston Lamb, who lost his life in endeavouring to save the lives of five men at a fire at the Strathcona Company's Mine, at Strathcona, in the Province of Alberta, Canada, on the 8th June 1907.

There were two shafts in the mine, a hoisting shaft and an air shaft. The engineer of the mine woke Lamb at about 11.25 P.M., when the fire was discovered, and told him that there were five men in the mine. Lamb descended three times, once by the air shaft, and having found the men urged them to escape by the ladder, saying he would remain until they had ascended. One man made an attempt, but returned. Lamb himself then succeeded in reaching the surface, but his

clothes were in flames, and he died shortly afterwards from the effect of his injuries. The others seem to have endeavoured to follow him, but failed, either because they were overcome by the smoke or because the ladder was burned.

DOWNING STREET, February 20, 1908.

The King has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Walter Sidney Shaw, Esq. (Chief Justice), to be a Member of the Executive Council and an Official Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Saint Vincent.

FOREIGN OFFICE, January 1, 1903.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint--

Charles Fulke Maugham, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Portuguese Possessions in East Africa, to reside at Lourenço Marques.

FOREIGN OFFICE, February 1, 1908.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Thomas George Grahame, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul-General for the Governorships of Ispahan, Yezd, Gulpaïgan, and