

Stafford, as lies within the following boundaries, that is to say, from Drakelow Viaducts along the Burton and Leicester branch of the Midland Railway to Stapenhill Railway Bridge, turning along the boundary of the borough of Burton-upon-Trent to Ashby-road, turning to the right along Ashby-road to Masons Arms Midway, turning to the right along Swadlincote-road to Reed's Mill, thence by the right along Newhall-road, turning to the left by Swadlincote Oldfield Colliery and Cartwright's Mill to Swadlincote Market Place, thence by the right along the turnpike-road by Hall and Boardman's Colliery, Catchems Inn, and lane by Kidds Rough and Beards Brewery to High Cross Banks at Castle Gresley, thence to the right along Brookey-lane to a point opposite Burton's Old Chapel, turning to the left up the road through the village of Linton by the Red Lion Inn to Tilley's Beer House and by the fence to the boundary of the counties of Derby and Leicester, thence to the right along the boundary fence and Seal brook to its junction with the river Mease, along that river turning to the right along the boundary of the counties of Derby and Stafford to where it intersects the road near Westbrook farm, turning to the left by Edingale fields to Edingale village, through the village by Holly Bush and Black Horse Inns and Kinson's shop to Edingale Schools, then along the boundary of the counties of Derby and Stafford to and along the river Mease to its junction with the river Trent, and turning to the right along the river Trent to Drakelow Viaducts aforesaid.

*St. James's Palace, August 25, 1882.*

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Major-General George Dean Pitt, C.B., to be Keeper of the Jewels in the Tower of London, in the room of Colonel John Cox Gawler, deceased.

*Whitehall, August 23, 1882.*

THE Queen has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to issue a New Commission on Historical Manuscripts, in words and to the effect following, viz. :—

**VICTORIA R.**

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith.

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Sir George Jessel, Knight, Master or Keeper of the Rolls and Records; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Chichester Samuel, Baron Carlingford, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Keeper of Our Privy Seal in that part of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Great Britain; Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin Schomberg Henry, Marquess of Louthian, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, President of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland; Our right and trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Robert Arthur Talbot, Marquess of Salisbury, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter; our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin John Alexander, Marquess of Bath; Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery, Under Secretary of State for the Home Department; Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Henry Howard Molyneux, Earl of Carnarvon, President of the Society of Antiquaries of London; Our trusty and well-beloved Edmond George Petty-Fitz-

Maurice, Esquire (commonly called Lord Edmond George Petty-Fitz-Maurice), the Right Reverend Father in God, Charles, Bishop of Limerick, Ardferf, and Aghadoe; Our right trusty and well-beloved James, Baron Talbot de Malahide; Our right trusty and well-beloved Richard Monckton, Baron Houghton; Our right trusty and well-beloved John Emerich Edward, Baron Acton; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir George Webbe Dasent, Knight, Doctor of Civil Law; and Our trusty and well-beloved William Hardy, Esquire. Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, Deputy Keeper of the Records, Greeting!

Whereas We did, by Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual bearing date the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and by subsequent Warrants, authorise and appoint certain noblemen and gentlemen therein respectively named, or any three or more of them, to be Our Commissioners to make inquiry into the places in which Documents illustrative of History or of General Public Interest belonging to private persons are deposited, and to consider whether, with the consent of the owners, means might not be taken to render such Documents available for public reference, as by the tenor of the first-recited Warrant under Our Sign Manual, dated the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, does more fully and at large appear:

Now know ye, that We have revoked and determined, and do by these Presents revoke and determine, the said several Warrants and every matter and thing therein contained:

And whereas We have deemed it expedient that a new Commission should issue for the purposes specified in such Warrant of the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine:

Further know ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your ability and discretion, have appointed, and do by these Presents nominate, constitute, and appoint, you the said Sir George Jessel; Chichester Samuel, Baron Carlingford; Schomberg Henry, Marquess of Louthian; Robert Arthur Talbot, Marquess of Salisbury; John Alexander, Marquess of Bath; Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery; Henry Howard Molyneux, Earl of Carnarvon; Edmond George Petty-Fitz-Maurice; Charles, Bishop of Limerick, Ardferf, and Aghadoe; James, Baron Talbot de Malahide; Richard Monckton, Baron Houghton; John Emerich Edward, Baron Acton; Sir George Webbe Dasent, and William Hardy, to be Our Commissioners to make inquiry as to the places in which such Papers and Manuscripts are deposited, and for any of the purposes set forth in the original Warrant under Our Sign Manual, dated the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine:

And for the purpose of carrying out the said inquiry, We do hereby authorise you to call in the aid and co-operation of all possessors of Manuscripts and Papers, inviting them to assist you in furthering the object of this Commission, and to give them full assurance that no information is sought except such as relates to public affairs, and that no knowledge or information which may be obtained from their collections shall be promulgated without their full licence and consent:

And We do further by these Presents authorise you, with the consent of the owners of such Manuscripts, to make abstracts and catalogues of such Manuscripts:

And We do hereby direct that you, or any three or more of you, shall form a quorum, and that you, or any three or more of you, shall have power to invite the possessors of such Papers and