

Stewart Mathias to the Rectory of Theberton, in the county of Suffolk, and diocese of Norwich, void by the resignation of the Reverend George Watson, B.A., the last Incumbent.

*Whitehall, December 3, 1889.*

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Beauchamp Kerr Warren Pearse, Rector of Ascot, in the county of Berks, Clerk, Master of Arts of the University of Oxford, sometime of University College, Oxford, eldest and only surviving son of Thomas Pearse, late of South Warnborough Lodge, in the county of Southampton, and formerly of Highway House, in the parish of Froyle, in the said county of Southampton, Esquire, by Caroline, his wife, eldest daughter of Charles Beauchamp Kerr (commonly called Lord Charles Beauchamp Kerr), late of Vernon House, in the parish of Farnham, in the county of Surrey, all deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may take and henceforth use the surname of Kerr in addition to and before that of Pearse, and that he and they may quarter the arms of Kerr with those of his and their own family; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

*Whitehall, December 13, 1889.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant unto Frederick Higgins, of Holmleigh, in the parish of Bowden, in the county palatine of Chester, Charles Higgins, of the city of Naples, in the Kingdom of Italy, Henry Higgins, of Mount House, in the parish of Cheetham Hill, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Gentlemen, Alfred Higgins, of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law, Arthur Higgins, of High Mount, in the parish of Didsbury, in the said county palatine of Lancaster, Gentleman, and to Margaret Higgins, of Holmwood, in the parish of Turvey, in the county of Bedford, Spinster, Her Royal licence and authority that, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of their aunt, Margaret Platt, formerly of Dunham Hall, in the said county palatine of Chester, and late of Woodlands House, Staleybridge, in the same county, widow and relict of Robert Platt, late of Dunham Hall aforesaid, Esquire, both deceased, they, the said Frederick Higgins, Charles Higgins, Henry Higgins, Alfred Higgins, and Arthur Higgins, and their issue respectively, may take and henceforth use the surname of Platt, in addition to and before that of Higgins, and that they may bear the arms of Platt quarterly with those of Higgins, and that she, the said Margaret Higgins, may also take and use the surname of Platt in addition to and before that of Higgins, and bear the arms of Platt quarterly with those of Higgins; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

*Whitehall, December 13, 1889.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant unto Walter Higgins, of Holmwood, in the parish of Kersal, in the county palatine of Lan-

caster, Gentleman, and to Kate Higgins, of the same place, Spinster, Her Royal licence and authority that, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of their aunt, Margaret Platt, formerly of Dunham Hall, in the county palatine of Chester, and late of Woodlands House, Staleybridge, in the same county, widow and relict of Robert Platt, late of Dunham Hall aforesaid, Esquire, both deceased, he, the said Walter Higgins, and his issue, may take and henceforth use the surname of Platt in addition to and before that of Higgins, and that they may bear the arms of Platt quarterly with those of Higgins, and that she, the said Kate Higgins, may also take and use the surname of Platt in addition to and before that of Higgins, and bear the arms of Platt quarterly with those of Higgins, such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

*Whitehall, December 13, 1889.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant unto Edward Higgins, of Rathcoole, Fortwilliam Park, in the parish of Shankhill, in the county of Antrim, in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Ireland, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his aunt, Margaret Platt, formerly of Dunham Hall, in the county palatine of Chester, and late of Woodlands House, Staleybridge, in the same county, widow and relict of Robert Platt, late of Dunham Hall aforesaid, Esquire, both deceased, he, the said Edward Higgins, and his issue, may take and henceforth use the surname of Platt, in addition to and before that of Higgins, and that they may bear the arms of Platt quarterly with those of Higgins; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

*Admiralty, 13th December, 1889.*

Engineer Thomas Green has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st December, 1889.

*Admiralty, 14th December, 1889.*

*Royal Marine Light Infantry.*

Captain and Brevet Major Henry Yeatman Hext to be Major, vice Sweny, promoted. Dated 20th November, 1889.

Lieutenant Fitzroy Tufton Holt Scott to be Captain, vice Hext, promoted. Dated 20th November, 1889.

*Admiralty, 16th December, 1889.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 3rd May, 1888—Chief Officer of Coast Guard William Thomas Quigley has been granted the rank of Lieutenant on retirement. Dated 24th November, 1889.