

Mr. Lecky.
 Sir Herbert Maxwell.
 Sir Richard Henn Collins.
 Sir R. Vaughan Williams.
 Mr. E. R. Woodhouse.
 Sir Robert Romer.
 Sir Ford North.
 Sir Frederick Milner.
 Sir James Stirling.
 Mr. W. Ellison Macartney.

HIS Majesty, at His first coming into the Council, was this day pleased to declare that understanding that the Law required He should at His Accession to The Crown take and subscribe the Oath relating to the security of the Church of Scotland, He was now ready to do it this first opportunity, which His Majesty was graciously pleased to do, according to the Forms used by the Law of Scotland, and subscribed two Instruments thereof in the presence of the Lords of the Council, who witnessed the same. And His Majesty was pleased to order that one of the said Instruments be transmitted to the Court of Session, to be recorded in the Books of Sederunt, and afterwards to be forthwith lodged in the Public Register of Scotland, and that the other of them remain among the Records of the Council and be entered in the Council Book.

A. W. FitzRoy.

Privy Council Office, January 23, 1901.

NOTE.—In addition to the Privy Councillors gazetted in the Supplement to the London Gazette of the 22nd instant (published on the 23rd instant), as being present at the Court at Saint James's, when His Majesty took and subscribed the Oath relating to the Security of the Church of Scotland, were the following:—

Right Honourable Sir Edward Thornton,
 G.C.B.

Right Honourable Sir George Dashwood
 Taubman-Goldie, K.C.M.G.

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION,

Requiring all Persons being in Office of Authority or Government at the decease of the late Queen, to proceed in the execution of their respective Offices.

EDWARD, R.

WHEREAS by an Act made in the sixth year of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne intituled an Act for the security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant line; it was enacted that no Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within the Kingdoms of Great Britain or Ireland, Dominion of Wales, Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, and Sark, or any of Her Majesty's Plantations, should become void by reason of the demise of Her said late Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, Kings or Queens of this Realm, but that every person and persons in any of the offices, places, and employ-

ments aforesaid, should continue in their respective offices, places, and employments, for the space of six months next after such death or demise, unless sooner removed and discharged by the next Successor, to whom the Imperial Crown of this Realm was limited and appointed to go, remain, and descend: And whereas by an Act made in the first year of His late Majesty King William the Fourth now intituled "The Colonial Offices Act, 1830," it was enacted that no Patent, Commission, Warrant, or other Authority, for the exercise of any office or employment, Civil or Military, within any of His Majesty's Plantations or Possessions abroad, determinable at the pleasure of His Majesty, or of any of His Majesty's Heirs and Successors, shall by reason of any future demise of the Crown be vacated or become void until the expiration of eighteen calendar months next after any such Demise of the Crown as aforesaid: We, therefore, with the advice of Our Privy Council, declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure to be, and do hereby direct and command, That all and every Person and Persons, who at the Time of the Demise of Our late Royal Mother, of Glorious Memory, duly and lawfully held, or were duly and lawfully possessed of or invested in any Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Dominion of Wales, Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, or any of Our Foreign Possessions, or Colonies, or Our Empire of India, do severally, according to their Places, Offices, or Charges, proceed in the Performance and Execution of all Duties belonging to their respective Offices whilst they shall hold the same respectively during Our Pleasure; and We do hereby require and command all Our loving Subjects to be aiding, helping, and assisting, at the commandment of the said Officers and Ministers, in the Performance and Execution of their respective Offices and Places, as they and every of them tender Our utmost Displeasure and will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, this twenty-third day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

GOD save the KING.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, January 24, 1901.

ORDERS for the Court to go into Mourning for Her late Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, of Blessed Memory, viz.:—

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, trimmed with Crape, and black Shoes and Gloves, black Fans, Feathers, and Ornaments.

The Gentlemen to wear black Court Dress, with black Swords and Buckles.

The Mourning to commence from the date of this Order.

The Court to change the Mourning on Wednesday, the 24th July next, viz.:—

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, with coloured