

*Board of Green Cloth, Buckingham Palace,
October 13, 1903.*

The King has been pleased to make the following appointment in His Majesty's Household:—

James Albert Edward, Marquis of Hamilton, M.P., to be Treasurer of His Majesty's Household, in the room of Victor Christian William Cavendish, Esq., M.P., resigned.

*10, Downing Street, Whitehall,
October 13, 1903.*

Mr. A. H. Lee, M.P., has accepted the office of Civil Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Balcarras, M.P., has accepted the office of a Junior Lord of the Treasury, and the Marquis of Hamilton, M.P., has accepted that of Treasurer of the Household.

[The following is substituted for the notice relating to the Writ for the Westhoughton Division of South-East Lancashire, which appeared in the London Gazette of October 9, 1903, and which is hereby cancelled.]

By virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-second year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to extend the Act of the twenty-fourth year of King George the Third, chapter twenty-six, for issuing Writs during any Recess of the House of Commons, whether by Prorogation or Adjournment;" and of an Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to further limit and define the time for proceeding to Election during the Recess."

I DO hereby give notice, that it hath been certified to me in writing under the hands of two Members serving in this present Parliament in the manner required by the said Act, that Edward George Villiers Stanley, C.B., commonly called Lord Stanley, late a Member serving in this present Parliament for the Westhoughton Division of South-East Lancashire, hath accepted the Office of Postmaster-General, and has been gazetted thereto in the London Gazette dated the sixth day of October, 1903, and has thereby vacated his seat, and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the Electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Division at the end of six days after the insertion of this notice in the London Gazette.

Given under my hand this twelfth day of October, 1903.

W. U. GULLY, Speaker.

*Crown Office,
October 10, 1903.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated the 9th instant, to appoint the Right Honourable Joseph Austen Chamberlain to be Chancellor and Under Treasurer of His Majesty's Exchequer.

*Crown Office,
October 10, 1903.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated the 9th instant, to appoint Edward George Villiers Stanley, commonly called Lord Stanley, C.B., to be His Majesty's Postmaster-General.

*Downing Street,
October 12, 1903.*

The KING has been pleased to approve the appointment of Tan Jiak Kim, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements.

Whitehall, October 10, 1903.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto John Richard Lennox Cridland, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of Knight of the Order of Danebrog, conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of Denmark in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

Whitehall, October 10, 1903.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 8th instant, to appoint Collingwood Hope, Esq., K.C., to be Recorder of the Borough of Bolton, in the room of William Francis Kyffin Taylor, Esq., K.C., resigned.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

LEEK FAIRS.

Whereas a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Leek Urban District Council that Fairs have been annually held on the 3rd and 28th days in the month of July, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should in future be held on the first and last Wednesdays in the month of July:

And whereas notice of the said representation and of the time when I should take the same into consideration has been duly published in pursuance of "The Fairs Act, 1873":

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should in future be held on the first and last Wednesdays in the month of July:

Now therefore I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1873," do hereby order that the Fairs which have been annually held on the 3rd and 28th days in the month of July, shall in future be held on the first and last Wednesdays in the month of July.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 12th day of October, 1903.

A. Akers-Douglas.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
October 9, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. H. H. Stiff to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Act, for the Bury St. Edmunds District of the county of Suffolk.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
October 9, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. J. Raverty, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Act, at Bray, in the county of Wicklow, is vacant.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
October 12, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. F. T. Long, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Act, at Greenodd, in the county of Lancaster, is vacant.