

Inverclyde; Charles Napier Lawrence; Sir Hugh Bell; Sir William Thomas Lewis; Sir Francis John Stephens Hopwood; Sir David Miller Barbour; Sir Alfred Edmund Bateman; Sir John Macdonell; Robert Henry Muirhead Collins; Henry Birchenough; William Pember Reeves; John Barry; Edward Carter Kersey Gonber; Fred Maddison; William Henry Mitchell; Owen Cosby Philipps; Oswald Sanderson; Austin Taylor, and John Torrance to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents give and grant unto you, or any five or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do by these Presents authorize and empower you, or any five or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid.

And We do by these Presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And We do further ordain that you, or any five or more of you, have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us, under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any five or more of you, your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

And for the purpose of aiding you in your inquiries We hereby appoint Our trusty and well-beloved James Alexander Webster, Esquire, of the Board of Trade, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham, the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, in the sixth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

*H. J. Gladstone.*

*Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order,  
St. James's Palace, December 4, 1906.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following promotion in, and appointments to the Royal Victorian Order, to take effect from the dates noted:—

*To be Knight Commander:*

26th November, 1906. Colonel Henry Knollys, C.V.O. (late Royal Artillery), Comptroller and Private Secretary to Her Majesty the Queen of Norway (Princess Maud of Great Britain and Ireland).

*To be Members of the Fourth Class:*

1st December, 1906. Captain Reginald Cossley Batt (Royal Fusiliers—City of London Regiment—), Adjutant, 3rd Volunteer Battalion of the Norfolk Regiment.

1st December, 1906. Captain John Francis Champion (14th—King's—Hussars), Adjutant, The King's Own Royal Regiment, Norfolk Imperial Yeomanry.

*Factory Department, Home Office,*

*November 30, 1906.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. J. A. Codd to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, for the Wolverhampton District of the county of Stafford.

*Factory Department, Home Office,*

*November 30, 1906.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. J. C. Carden, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at Milnthorpe, in the county of Westmorland, is vacant.

*Admiralty, 30th November, 1906.*

*Royal Naval Reserve.*

Sub-Lieutenant Albert Edward Woods to be Lieutenant. Dated 29th November, 1906.

*Admiralty, 1st December, 1906.*

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 28th March, 1903—

Lieutenant Abraham Bennett Collins has this day been placed on the Retired List.

Engineer Lieutenant Donald Percy Green has this day been promoted to the rank of Engineer Commander in His Majesty's Fleet.

Chief Boatswain William Burridge Mann has this day been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in His Majesty's Fleet.

Boatswain John Peain has this day been promoted to the rank of Chief Boatswain in His Majesty's Fleet.

*Admiralty, 3rd December, 1906*

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 28th March, 1903—

Lieutenant William Dale has this day been placed on the Retired List.

In accordance with the provisions of His Majesty's Order in Council of 9th October, 1903—

Reverend Charles George Gordon-Vaudin, B.A., Chaplain, has been allowed to withdraw from the Royal Navy, with a gratuity. Dated 30th November, 1906.