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FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1909.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, June 18, 1909.

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

To be Knight Grand Cross:

12th June, 1909. James Edward Hubert, Marquis of Salisbury, C.B., Colonel, Com-manding 4th Battalion, The Bedfordshire Regiment, Aide-de-Camp to The King.

To be Knight Commander:

16th June, 1909. Captain David Nairne Welch, C.V.O., R.N. (retired). (Received the honour of Knighthood.)

To be Member of the Fourth Class:

Lieutenant-Colonel William 5th June, 1909. Henry Snell.

Whitehall, June 17, 1909.

The KING has been pleased to issue a Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect :---

EDWARD, R. & I.

EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all whom these Presents shall come, Greeting !

Whereas We did by a Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual, countersigned by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and bearing date at Our Court at St. James's the twentyseventh day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eight in the eighth year of Our Reign, make, ordain and establish I to be His Majesty's Army Council.

Statutes, Rules and Ordinances for the constitution and government of the Imperial Service Order :

Now therefore We do by these Presents for Us Our Heirs and Successors abrogate the fifth clause of the said Warrant of the twenty-seventh day of May, One thousand nine hundred and eight, and in lieu thereof We ordain that the number of Companions of the Order shall not exceed four hundred and seventy-five, of whom two hundred and fifty shall belong to Our Home Civil Service and two hundred and twenty-five to the Civil Services of Our Colonies or Protectorates.

> Given at Our Court at Windsor, the seventeenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nine, in the ninth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

H. J. Gladstone.

Crown Office, June 17, 1909.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, bearing date the 9th instant, to appoint-

The Right Honourable Richard Burdon Haldane,

General Sir William Gustavus Nicholson, G.C.B.,

General Sir Ian Standish Monteith Hamilton, K.C.B., D.S.O.,

Major-General Sir Herbert Scott Gould Miles, K.C.B., C.V.O.,

Major-General) Sir Colonel (temporary Charles Frederick Hadden, K.C.B.,

Auberon Thomas Baron Lucas and Dingwall, and

Francis Dyke Acland, Esq.,