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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1909.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, October 12, 1909.

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:

3rd October, 1909. Lieutenant-General Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell, C.B., Commanding Northumbrian Territorial Division. (Received the honour of Knighthood).

To be Commander:

12th September, 1909. Sir Archibald Edmonstone, Bart., M.V.O., Groom in Waiting to His Majesty.

To be Members of the Fourth Class.

- 16th September, 1909. Captain David Baird, late The Black Watch (Royal Highlanders).
- 4th October, 1909. Colonel Montagu Grant Wilkinson, Commandant, Queen Victoria's School, Dunblane.

To be Members of the Fifth Class:

- 23rd September, 1909. Alexander McHardy, Esq., Chief Constable of Inverness-shire.
- 20th September, 1909. John Bagrie Mair, Esq., Chief Constable of Moraysbire.
- 2nd October, 1909. Lieutenant John Paddon, Royal Navy, His Majesty's Yacht "Victoria and Albert."

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, S.W., October 12, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be closed to the public on and after Saturday next, the 16th instant, until further notice.

Kensington Palace,

October 1, 1909.

Her Royal Highness Princess Beatrice, Princess Henry of Battenberg, has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Edward Bowstead Cuthbertson, Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders), retired, to be Equerry to Her Royal Highness, in the room of Mr. Victor George Seymour Corkran, C.V.O., appointed Comptroller and Treasurer of Her Royal Highness's Household.

Downing Street,

October 9, 1909.

The KING has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Major-General Arthur Pole Penton, C.V.O. (Commanding Royal Artillery, Malta), to be a Member of the Executive Council of that Island,