board, which may have been directed by the Board of Trade, and for their distribution among paper makers and paper users on such terms and subject to such conditions as may appear to the Commission to be equitable:

Now know ye, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorized and appointed, and do by these Presents authorize and appoint you, the said Sir Thomas Palmer Whittaker (Chairman); Sir Albert Spicer; Sir Walter Richard Nugent; Sir Frederick Macmillan; Sir Rowland Bailey; George Brown; Walter Howard Hazell; John Jeremiah; Ernest Parke; Oswald Partington and Albert Reed to be Our Commissioners for the purposes aforesaid.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents give and grant unto you, or any three 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 enquire of and concerning the premises by allother lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do by these Presents authorize and empower you, or any 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 three 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 Our will and pleasure is that you report to Us under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any three or more of you, your proceedings under this Our Commission.

> Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, in the sixth year of Our Reign.

> > By His Majesty's Command, Herbert Samuel.

Crown Office, 22nd February, 1916.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Parliamentary Borough of Liverpool, East Toxteth Division.

Captain James Stuart Rankin, in the place of Edward Marshall Hall, Esquire, K.C., who has accepted the office of Recorder of Guildford.

Treasury Chambers, 18th February, 1916.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed the Hon. John Cavendish Lyttelton to be Steward and Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead.

Whitehall, February 19, 1916.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon the undermentioned gentlemen and the heirs male of their respective bodies lawfully begotten :-

- The Right Honourable Ignatius John O'Brien, of Ardtona, in the parish of Dundrum, in the county of Dublin, Lord Chancellor of Ireland.
- The Right Honourable Sir William Edward Goschen, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., of Beacon Lodge, in the parish of Highcliffe, in the county of Southampton.
- Sir John Jardine, K.C.I.E., of Godalming, in the county of Surrey.
- Sir George Bullough, of the Isle of Rhum, in the county of Inverness, and of the Down House, in the parish of Redmarley, in the county of Worcester, Knight.
- Sir Charles Johnston, of the City of London, Knight.
- Alfred Allen Booth, of Allerton Beeches, in the City of Liverpool, Esquire.
- Richard Burbidge, of Littleton Park, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire.
- Samuel Ernest Palmer, of Grosvenor Crescent, in the City of Westminster, Esquire.
- John Rutherford, of Beardwood, in the parish of Blackburn and County Palatine of Lan-caster, Esquire, Lieutenant-Colonel and Honorary Colonel late Duke of Lancaster's **Own Yeomanry**
- Henry Webb, of Llwynarthan, in the parish of Marshfield, in the county of Monmouth, Esquire, temporary Lieutenant-Colonel commanding a Service Battalion of the Worcestershire Regiment.
- Alfred Fernandez Yarrow, of Homestead, Hindhead, in the parish of Frensham, in the county of Surrey, Esquire.

Whitehall, February 19, 1916.

The KING was pleased, on Saturday, the 15th ultimo, to confer the honour of Knighthood upon the undermentioned gentlemen, at Buckingham Palace :-

- Milsom Rees, Esq., C.V.O., F.R.C.S., Laryngologist to the King's Household and to Queen Alexandra.
- Frederick Samuel Augustus Bourne, Esq., C.M.G., Assistant Judge of His Majesty's Supreme Court for China and Korea at Shanghai and Judge of His Majesty's High Court at Wei-hai-Wei.
- Esq., Marshall Frederick Reid, C.I.E., Managing Director of the Bombay Company, Limited.
- Henry James Wakely Fry, Esq., C.I.E., lately Director-General of Stores, India Office.
- Frederic Gorell Barnes, Esq.
- George Andreas Berry, Esq., M.B., LL.D., Honorary Surgeon-Oculist to His Majesty in Scotland. Major, R.A.M.C(T.).
- Arthur William Black, Esq., M.P.
- John Boraston, Esq.
- William Henry Bowater, Esq., ex-Lord Mayor of Birmingham.
- James Bruton, Esq., Mayor of Gloucester. Harcourt Everard Clare, Esq., Clerk of the Lancaster County Council.