

been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas by Your Majesty's Orders in Council bearing dates the 13th day of October, 1922, and the 12th day of March, 1923, a Royal Marine Police Force was established with rates of pay and conditions of service as set forth therein:

"And whereas we consider that titles should be established to designate the respective ranks of the Royal Marine Police Force:

"And whereas we consider it desirable that certain of the conditions of service laid down in the above Orders in Council should be revised:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorize the use of the titles set forth hereunder:

<i>Rank.</i>	<i>Title.</i>
Commissioned Officers	Chief Inspector.
Grade I	Inspector.
Grade II	Sergeant.
Grade III	Constable.

"We beg leave further to recommend that the rates of pay and retiring gratuities payable under the above Orders in Council to Commissioned Officers of the Royal Marine Police may, as from the 1st day of July, 1924, be reduced by 5½ per cent., and may be subject to further review on or after the 1st day of July, 1927, the retiring gratuity for the whole of an Officer's service in the Royal Marine Police being calculated at the rate in force at the date of retirement:

"We beg leave further to recommend that Inspectors of the Royal Marine Police may, as from the 8th day of January, 1926, rank relatively with Staff Sergeants, Royal Marines, and be paid at the following rates, namely:

On promotion	10s. 6d. per diem.
After 2½ years' service in that Grade	12s. per diem.
After 5 years' service in that Grade	13s. 6d. per diem.
After 10 years' service in that Grade	15s. per diem.

"We beg leave further to recommend that the rate of gratuity payable to Inspectors of the Royal Marine Police on discharge from the Force on or after the 8th day of January, 1926, may be reduced to £3 for each complete calendar month of service in any rank of the Force, subject to a maximum gratuity of £540:

"We beg leave further to recommend that the gratuity payable on discharge to any non-commissioned Officer or man of the Royal Marine Police on or after the 2nd day of April, 1925, may, if his character has been assessed lower than 'very good' for any period of service in the Royal Marine Police, be subject, at our discretion, to a reduction of 25 per cent. in the amount earned for the period covered by such assessment; and that, in the event of a second or subsequent assessment of his character below 'very good,' the amount of gratuity earned for the periods covered by such second or subsequent assessments may be subject, at our discretion, to a reduction of 50 per cent:

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in those of the above proposals which relate to pay and gratuities."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

*Colin Smith.*

*Chancery of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.*

*Downing Street,  
3rd April, 1926.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:—

*To be an Ordinary Member of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the said Most Distinguished Order.*

Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honourable Lord Somers, D.S.O., M.C., on appointment to be Governor of the State of Victoria.

*Crown Office,  
House of Lords, S.W. 1,  
7th April, 1926.*

A Writ dated the 7th day of April, 1926, directed to Vernon Henry St. John summoning him to the Upper House of Parliament by the name, style and title of Vernon Henry Viscount Bolingbroke and St. John, has been passed under the Great Seal, pursuant to Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual.

*Crown Office,  
House of Lords,  
8th April, 1926.*

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Rev. Canon William Thompson Elliott, M.A., to the Vicarage of St. Peter, Leeds, in the county of York, and Diocese of Ripon, void by the cession of the last Incumbent and in His Majesty's Gift for this turn only by virtue of His Majesty's Prerogative Royal.

#### TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice, that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 16th April, 1926, at 1 o'clock, for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the War Loan Acts, 1914-1919, to the amount of £35,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000 or £10,000. They will be dated at the option