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War Office, October 5, 1897.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased (under Clause 5 of Her Majesty's Warrant, dated 23rd April, 1883) to confer the Decoration of the Royal Red Cross upon the undermentioned Ladies, in recognition of their services in tending the sick and wounded:—

Mrs. Ann Ayre Hely.
Miss Sarah Anne Terrot.

Foreign Office, September 6, 1897.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Arthur Vansittart, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida, to reside at New Orleans;

William Wyndham, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the States of Colorado, North and South Dakota, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, to reside at Chicago;

James Frederick Roberts, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Province of Catalonia and for the Balearic Islands, to reside at Barcelona;

Charles Maxwell Trayner, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul at Guatemala;

James Japp, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Island of Martinique; and

Captain Frederick Richard Maunsell, R.A., to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Sivas.

Foreign Office, September 22, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Griffith W. Pree as Consul of the United States at Swansea; of Mr. John N. McCunn as Consul of the United States at Dunfermline; of Mr. Charles A. McCullough as Consul of the United States at St. Stephen, New Brunswick; of Mr. Urbain J. Ledoux as Consul of the United States at Three Rivers, Quebec; of Mr. Clifford Hume Knight as Consul of Italy at Cape Town; of Mr. James A. Conyers as Consul of Germany for the Bermudas, to reside at Hamilton; of Mr. Alfred Rojas as Consul of Chile at Glasgow; of Mr. Andrew Weir as Consul of Ecuador at Glasgow; and of Mr. J. B. Taylor as Consul of Venezuela at Dundee.

Whitehall, October 2, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for presenting the Reverend Alfred Henry Ford, M.A., to the Rectory of Middleton-in-Teesdale, in the county and diocese of Durham, void by the death of the Reverend John Milner, M.A.

Admiralty, 1st October, 1897.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 26th February, 1897—

Fleet Engineer Alfred James Allen has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 23rd September, 1897.

Admiralty, 4th October, 1897.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, 30th April, 1877, 4th July, 1895, and 26th February, 1897—

Fleet Engineer George McEwen has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 20th September, 1897.

The undermentioned Engineers have been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, viz.:—

Ernest Fothergill Sparks. Dated 1st September, 1897.

William John Hender. Dated 1st September, 1897.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Fleet Paymaster Thomas Clayton has been placed on the Retired List, at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Paymaster-in-Chief. Dated 1st October, 1897.

War Office, Pall Mall,

5th October, 1897.

19th Hussars, Supernumerary Second Lieutenant Herbert A. Porter to be Second Lieutenant, vice A. J. Campbell, promoted. Dated 6th October, 1897.