

The Colonial and Indian Exhibition of 1886.
(*Papers respecting.*)

Presented to the Legislative Council by Command of
His Excellency the Governor.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,
27th November, 1884.

SIR,—I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copies of a Memorandum, which I have received from His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and which was prepared after previous full interchange of views between His Royal Highness and myself, notifying the appointment by the Queen of a Royal Commission, and describing the proposed arrangements for the purpose of organizing and carrying out an Exhibition in London, during the year 1886, of the Products, Manufactures, and Resources of Her Majesty's Colonial and Indian Empire.

It only remains for me to recommend this undertaking to the most favourable consideration of your Government, and I rely with confidence on your own personal efforts to secure a worthy representation of the Colony under your Government.

I cannot doubt that the Government and people of Hongkong will share my satisfaction at learning that this important undertaking will have the advantage of the personal superintendence of the Prince of Wales, whose administrative capacity is as well known to you as the warm interest with which His Royal Highness regards all matters connected with the Colonial Empire.

I have, &c.,

DERBY.

Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

MEMORANDUM relative to the COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION, to be held in London in the year 1886, for the consideration of the Government of Hongkong.

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE, LONDON, S.W.,
24th November, 1884.

The Official Gazette of the 18th of November, 1884, a copy of which is enclosed, notifies that Her Majesty the Queen has been pleased to nominate a Royal Commission for the purpose of organizing and carrying out in London, during the year 1886, an Exhibition of the Products, Manufactures and Resources of the Colonial and Indian Empire.

In assuming the active Presidency of this Commission, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales is desirous of having the opportunity of bringing prominently under notice the development and progress which have been made in the various parts of the British Empire, and His Royal Highness trusts that a more intimate knowledge may thus be obtained of the vast fields for enterprise which exist throughout the British Dominions.

It has been already stated that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales intends to take the same Executive part as in the case of the Paris Universal Exhibition of 1878, and His Royal Highness has, with the consent of Her Majesty's Government, selected Sir Philip Cunliffe-Owen, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., Director of the South Kensington Museum, to act as Secretary to the Royal Commission. His Royal Highness intends, in any matters of special importance, to address himself personally to the Executive Commissioners of the respective Colonies; but he would be obliged by all general correspondence being carried on with the Secretary to the Royal Commission.

As regards the method of representation to be adopted by each Colony or group of Colonies at the Exhibition, His Royal Highness specially wishes that, if possible, a single Executive Commissioner should be appointed, with whom might be associated, if necessary, not more than two or three Assistant-Commissioners.

The Secretary to the Royal Commission will be prepared to act on behalf of any Colony which may not find it convenient to appoint an independent Commissioner.

An exact date cannot be fixed at this early period, but the Exhibition will probably be opened during the first fortnight in May, 1886. With the ample time which is being given to all those concerned, it is sincerely to be hoped that the work of installation may be complete at least a fortnight previous to the date of opening.

As the object of this Exhibition is to represent the progress and the development of each Colony, it has been considered impracticable to call upon the Colonial Governments to comply with any form of Classification, as has been the custom at previous Exhibitions. Each Colony is, therefore, at liberty to make a Classification most suitable to its own requirements.

In furtherance of this idea, His Royal Highness trusts that each Government will take an early opportunity of preparing a Catalogue of the objects intended for exhibition, which it is requested, may, for the sake of uniformity, be modelled somewhat on the principle of the enclosed specimen, more especially as regards size of page and style of type. It would considerably facilitate this object if each Government were to have its Catalogue printed in London, by Messrs. William Clowes & Sons, Limited, the Official Printers and Publishers to the Exhibition. Each Government will be at liberty to sell its own Catalogue, through the Official Publishers to the Exhibition; but it is necessary that the Royal Commission should receive, as soon as practicable, a digest of the Catalogue of each Colony in order that it may be embodied in a General Catalogue of the whole Exhibition, which will be published by the Commission.

Many points of interest will doubtless present themselves to the various Colonies; but His Royal Highness especially desires that careful statistics of each Colony, carrying the information to 1885, should be prepared in a clear and readable form so as to render this valuable information easily understood by the working classes of this country. Maps specially prepared for the information of the public, should also, as far as possible, be prominently shown in the various Courts. It is hoped that these statistics, as well as the maps on a reduced scale, will be largely made use of in the Catalogues.

Much interest is taken in this country in the Woods of the various Colonies, and His Royal Highness would be glad to find that, where Cases are required for the display of goods, these Cases should be made from the native Woods of the Colony, in order that a complete representation of the Woods of the British Empire may be practically shown.

With reference to the building Stones and Marbles of the Colonies, it is suggested that they should be sent over in the form of Pedestals, executed in accordance with the appended sketch to scale; and thereby adding uniformity, and rendering the specimens of commercial value.

As it is possible that the various Colonial Governments participating in the Exhibition may desire, as its outcome, that a permanent Colonial Museum should be founded in London, it has been suggested that strong reasons exist for showing the adaptability of its products, generally, in as practical a manner as possible; hence it is desirable that the Raw Product should be displayed in connection with the Manufactured Article.

It has been decided that Commemorative Medals should be given to all those taking part in the Exhibition; and it is hoped to have the assistance of specialists of known repute who will commence to make, at the opening of the Exhibition, exhaustive Reports on the Resources of the various Colonies as represented in the Exhibition. These Reports, issued at an early stage, will take the place of the Jury systems of previous Exhibitions.

Before closing this Memorandum, reference may briefly be made to special features which His Royal Highness has in view for the general advantage of the Exhibiting Governments.

It is intended to form a Library and Reading Room, where all Literature relating to the Colonies and India, that it may be possible to collect, may be at hand for reference. Not only will contributions be asked for from the Colonial Governments, but also from Home publishers.

Special arrangements will be provided for the practical illustration, in one special kitchen, of all the Colonial Frozen Meat Industries, and of the Colonial Preserved Meats, Fish and Vegetables. This department will be carried out by the Royal Commission itself, in order that the due participation of the various interests concerned may be maintained.

There will also be a Colonial Fruit and Vegetable Market, which it is hoped that each Government will make arrangements to supply by monthly shipments. This department will also be under the control of the Royal Commission.

An exhibition of Colonial Wines will be organized by the Royal Commission.

A limited space will also be set apart for the exhibition of Living Animals from the Colonies.

In assuming the control of these various departments, the Royal Commission wishes to afford to the actual Producers the advantages of a fair display in the Exhibition. The Importers will, no doubt, hereafter benefit, but the interests of the Producers, as Exhibitors, are of the first consideration; and it may be here mentioned that in these departments, as well as generally throughout the Exhibition, only *bonâ fide* Colonists can, through their respective Governments, participate in the Exhibition. It will not, therefore, be possible for the Royal Commission to entertain any applications, upon any pretence whatever, from Colonial Importers or Agents in this Country.

BY ORDER.

[*Enclosure No. 1 to the above Memorandum.*]

SPECIMEN
OF THE
OFFICIAL CATALOGUE
TO THE
COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION,
1886.

LONDON:
WILLIAM CLOWES AND SONS, LIMITED,
Official Printers and Publishers to the Royal Commission,
13, CHARING CROSS, S.W.
1884.

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380. **HINDLEY & SONS, 290-294 Oxford Street, W.**—A Completely Furnished Apartment. Wood-panelled dado, framework and ceiling, oak parquet floor. The walls hung with washable Japanese leather paper. A painted wood mantelpiece, and mahogany furniture.

381. **HOVELL, W. B., St. Andrew's Basket Works, Bedford Street, Norwich.**—Wicker Furniture, comprising Drawing-room and Library Chairs, Wicker Lounges, Wicker Tea Tables, Ladies' Work Tables, Nursery Stands, Linen Baskets, &c.

382. **STONES, JOHN, Patent Revolving Shutter and Movable Division, and Lift and Hoist Manufacturer, Ure Mills, Ulverston.**—(1) Movable Sound-proof Partitions for dwelling-houses, schools, &c., which swivel and fold into pilasters or recesses in walls. (2) Sound-proof Revolving Shutter. (3) Full size Model of Balance Weight Revolving Shutters, with the ascending, descending and vertical motions. (4) Draught Excluder.

383. **ALLEN, EDWARD E., 111 Cheyne Walk, Chelsea.**—Models of Cottages.

384. **CHUBB & SONS' LOCK & SAFE CO., Limited, 128 Queen Victoria Street, E.C.**—(1) Chubb's Patent Detector Lock, Latches, and Keys, used in fitting up dwelling-houses of all kinds, from a palace to a cottage, and for all other purposes that a lock can be adapted to. (2) Ornamental Locks and Keys. (3) Model of Chubb's Patent Fire and Thief Resisting Bankers' Strong Room made to Scale. (4) Model of a Lockmaker's Work-bench and Tools.

385. **KAYE, JOSEPH, & SONS, 93 High Holborn; and Bank Works, Kirkstall, Leeds.**—Kaye's Patent Indestructible Locks and Fastenings.

386. **ADAMS, ROBERT, 17 Blackman Street, Borough, S.E.**—(1) Locks and Furniture. (2) Sash Fasteners. (3) Sash Bolts and Ventilators. (4) Weather Bars. (5) Casement Stays. (6) Norton's Door Springs. (7) Casement Bolts. (8) Patent Reversible and Sliding Window. (9) Casement Fasteners and three-throw Bolts. (10) Rack Fanlight Openers. (11) Spring Hinges. (12) Sash Centres. (13) The New Ventilating Bar for window-sashes. (14) The Panic Door, for theatres, schools, and other public buildings, which ascends into a prepared recess by slightly turning a handle, which, being covered with a glass door, can be easily smashed in case of need to give the audience instant egress.

387. **BORN, PHILIP, 29 Tavistock Road, Westbourne Park.**—Improved Patent Folding Lattice Shutter, for fixing in

the insides of rooms and other places; admits light and air, and is a sure protection against burglars. Made of wrought iron, and bronzed in any desired colour to match the wall-paper.

388. **BLYTH, A. W., Medical Officer of Health, The Court House, Marylebone; & GREENE, DR. RICHARD, Medical Superintendent of the County Asylum, Berry Wood, Northampton.**—Model and accompanying plans of a House to be let out in tenements.

389. **LUCAS, JAMES MOORE, Ennerdale Road, Selwyn Court Estate, Kew Gardens.**—Model Design of a perfect sanitary private residence, constructed specially for the International Health Exhibition, upon the latest sanitary principles. The house will be completed and ready for inspection on May 8th, and open to the public upon presentation of card. Kew Gardens station is 21 minutes by District Railway from South Kensington.

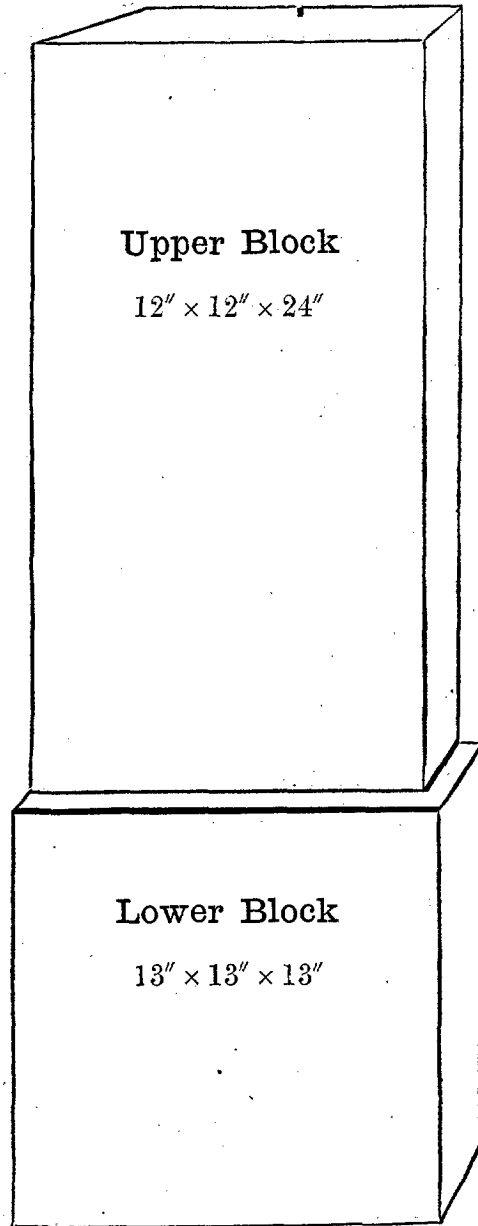
390. **O'KEEFFE, MATHIAS T., M.I.C.E.I., 40 Holbeck Road, North, Brixton, S.W.**—Models of Sanitary Houses, to be constructed at the corners of important thoroughfares so as to afford secure means of escape from fire in any of the adjoining premises, and specially adapted as approaches to light-foot bridges, over dangerous street crossings, and at the same time providing ladies' resting-rooms, lavatories, &c.

391. **TURNBULL, J. R., LIEUT.-COL., The Priory, Torquay.**—(1) Model (Skeleton) of a London House, showing how the drains should be ventilated and carried under the house from the back to the street sewer, according to the "open system"; also ventilating pipes, &c. (2) Model, showing a length and section of a drain laid according to the "open system," with pitch-sealed joints. (3) Model of ditto in brick channel, showing step for necessary work at the drain at any considerable depth: pitch-sealed joints, &c. (4) Model, gas or water-pipe laid in the usual way, but with pitch-sealed joints.

393. **ALLEN, A. H., 111 Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, S.W.**—Model of a Labourer's Cottage, intended to illustrate a special improvement in that class of dwellings, viz., by substituting for the ordinary combustible partitions between the rooms the use of non-combustible partitions constructed of wood quartering, coated with silicate paint, and filled in with slate panels.

394. **ALLEN, C. B., 111 Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, S.W.**—Plan and Model of a Miner's Cottage. The noteworthy improvement here is that of keeping the Fire-places or sources of heat in the centre of the building and away from the outer wall, thus to avoid all loss of heat. The model also exemplifies the possibility of adapting architectural forms to such structures.

[Enclosure No. 2 to the above Memorandum.]



Both Stones to be finished on all faces.

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Samples of Marbles to form Pedestals.

Whitehall, November 10, 1884.

THE Queen has been pleased to issue a Commission under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the effect following:—

VICTORIA, R. & I.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India, &c., To

Our Most Dear Son and Councillor His Royal Highness Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Field Marshal of Our Forces;

Our Most Dear Son and Councillor His Royal Highness Alfred Ernest Albert, Duke of Edinburgh, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Vice-Admiral in Our Fleet;

Our Most Dear Son and Councillor His Royal Highness Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Major-General of Our Forces;

Our Dear Cousin and Councillor His Royal Highness George William Frederick Charles, Duke of Cambridge, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Grand Master and Principal Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Field Marshal Commanding in Chief Our Forces;

Our right trusty and right-entirely beloved Cousin William Drogo, Duke of Manchester, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick;

Our right trusty and right-entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Richard Plantagenet Campbell, Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India;

Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin Henry Charles Keith, Marquess of Lansdowne, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor-General of Our Dominion of Canada;

Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Robert Arthur Talbot, Marquess of Salisbury, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter;

Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor George Augustus Constantine Marquess of Normanby, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor George Frederick Samuel, Marquess of Ripon, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Grand Master and First and Principal Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillor Spencer Compton Cavendish, Esquire, commonly called Marquess of Hartington, Our Principal Secretary of State for War;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillor Sir John George Edward Henry Douglas Sutherland Campbell, commonly called Marquess of Lorne, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Our trusty and well beloved James Hamilton, Esquire, commonly called Marquess of Hamilton;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Edward Henry, Earl of Derby, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Our Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin John William, Earl of Dalhousie, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Henry Howard Molyneux, Earl of Carnarvon ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin George Henry, Earl Cadogan ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Granville George, Earl Granville, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Our Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor John, Earl of Kimberley, Our Principal Secretary of State for India ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Frederick Temple, Earl of Dufferin, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor Thomas George, Earl of Northbrook, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, one of the Commissioners for executing the office of High Admiral of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, &c. ;

Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin Edward Robert Lytton, Earl of Lytton, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Cousin and Councillor Gathorne, Viscount Cranbrook, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillor William Coutts, Baron Ashford, commonly called Viscount Bury, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

Our Right trusty and well beloved Donald James, Baron Reay ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillor Hugh Henry, Baron Strathnairn, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Field Marshal of Our Forces ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Robert Cornelis, Baron Napier of Magdala, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Field Marshal of Our Forces ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillor Henry Austin, Baron Aberdare ;

Our trusty and well beloved Anthony Evelyn Melbourne Ashley, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Anthony Evelyn Melbourne Ashley, one of the Under Secretaries of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies ;

Our trusty and well beloved Edward Stanhope, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Edward Stanhope ;

Our right trusty and well beloved Councillors :—

Sir Stafford Henry Northcote, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath ;

Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Governor of the Presidency of Bombay ;

Hugh Culling Eardley Childers, Chancellor of Our Exchequer ;

William Edward Forster ;

Sir William Henry Gregory, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

Sir Lyon Playfair, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath ;

Sir Michael Edward Hicks Beach, Baronet ;

Anthony John Mundella, Vice-President of the Committee of Our Most Honourable Privy Council on Education.

Mountstuart Elphinstone Grant-Duff, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Governor of the Presidency of Fort Saint George, at Madras ;

Sir Louis Mallet, Knight Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath ;

Our right trusty and well beloved the Lord Mayor of Our City of London for the time being ;

The Lord Provost of Our City of Edinburgh for the time being ;

The Lord Mayor of Our City of Dublin for the time being ;

Our trusty and well beloved Sir Henry Thurstan Holland, Baronet, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Sir Daniel Cooper, Baronet, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Sir John Rose, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George;

Sir Patrick Grant, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Field Marshal of Our Forces;

Sir Frederick Paul Haines, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, General of Our Forces;

Sir Henry Creswicke Rawlinson, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Major-General (Local), late of the Honourable the East India Company's Service, Member of the Council of India;

Sir Charles Henry Brownlow, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces;

Sir Edwin Beaumont Johnson, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, General of Our Forces;

Sir Henry Dominick Daly, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces;

Sir Samuel James Browne, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, upon whom We have conferred the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces;

Sir Peter Stark Lumsden, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Major-General of Our Forces, Member of the Council of India;

Sir Thomas Brassey, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of the Commissioners to Execute the Office of High Admiral of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, &c.;

Sir Robert George Wyndham Herbert, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of the Under Secretaries of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies;

Sir Frederick Richard Pollock, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Major-General of Our Forces;

Sir Harry Burnett Lumsden, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces;

Sir Barrow Helbert Ellis, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Member of the Council of India;

Sir Dighton Macnaghten Probyn, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, upon whom We have conferred the Decoration of the Victoria Cross, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces;

Sir Joseph Fayrer, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Doctor of Medicine, one of Our Honorary Physicians, Surgeon-General, late of the Indian Medical Service;

Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Doctor of Medicine;

Sir Owen Tudor Burne, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Colonel of Our Forces;

Sir Robert Groves Sandeman, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Lieutenant-Colonel of Our Forces, Agent to Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Beloochistan;

Sir Lepel Henry Griffin, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Agent to Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Central India;

Sir Oliver Beauchamp Coventry St. John, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Colonel of Our Forces, Officer on Special Duty in Cashmere;

Sir Andrew Clarke, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Major-General of Our Forces, Inspector-General of Fortifications, and Director of Works;

Sir Edward Selby Smyth, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, General of Our Forces ;

Sir Arthur Blyth, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Agent-General in London for the Colony of South Australia ;

Sir Charles Tupper, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, High Commissioner in London for the Dominion of Canada ;

Sir Francis Dillon Bell, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Agent-General in London for the Colony of New Zealand ;

Sir Saul Samuel, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Agent-General in London for the Colony of New South Wales ;

Sir William Charles Sargeaunt, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Crown Agent for the Colonies ;

Sir Charles Hutton Gregory, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

Sir John Coode, Knight ;

Sir George Christopher Molesworth Birdwood, Knight, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Doctor of Medicine ;

John Watson, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, upon whom We have conferred the Decoration of the Victoria Cross, Major-General of Our Forces, Agent to Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India at Baroda ;

Henry Yule, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Colonel of Our Forces, Member of the Council of India ;

Martin Dillon, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Major-General of Our Forces ;

Charles John Foster, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces, Member of the Council of India ;

John Arthur Godley, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, one of the Under Secretaries of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for India ;

Horace George Walpole, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Assistant Under-Secretary of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for India ;

Richard Strachey, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces, Member of the Council of India ;

James Michael, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Colonel of Our Forces ;

Arthur Edward Augustus Ellis, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Colonel of Our Forces ;

Edward Ridley Colbourne Bradford, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Lieutenant-Colonel of Our Forces, Agent to Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Rajputana ;

Robert Anstruther Dalrymple, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Member of the Council of India ;

Charles Mills, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Agent-General in London for the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope ;

Arthur Hodgson, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

Montagu Frederick Ommanney, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, late Captain of Our Corps of Royal Engineers, Crown Agent for the Colonies ;

Robert Murray Smith, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Agent-General in London for the Colony of Victoria ;

Augustus John Adderley, Esquire, Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ;

James Francis Garrick, Esquire, Agent-General in London for the Colony of Queensland ;

The President of the Royal Academy of Arts for the time being ;

The President of the Royal Geographical Society for the time being ;

The President of the Royal Agricultural Society for the time being ;

The President of the Institution of Civil Engineers for the time being ;
 The President of the Association of Chambers of Commerce for Our United Kingdom for the time being ;
 Henry Coppinger Beeton, Esquire ;
 Edward Birkbeck, Esquire ;
 Ernest Edward Blake, Esquire, Crown Agent for the Colonies ;
 Bertram Wodehouse Currie, Esquire, Member of the Council of India ;
 Julius de Reuter, Esquire ;
 Samuel Morley, Esquire ;
 William George Pedder, Esquire ; and
 John Pender, Esquire ; greeting !

Whereas it has been notified to Us through Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor, Edward Henry, Earl of Derby, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Our Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor, John, Earl of Kimberley, Our Principal Secretary of State for India, that it is desirable that an Exhibition of the Products, Manufactures, and Arts of Our Colonial and Indian dominions shall be held in London during the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty-six.

And whereas it is Our wish that such Exhibition shall afford full and suitable representation of the Agriculture, Commerce, Arts, and Industries of Our said dominions beyond the seas, and that Our Colonial and Indian subjects shall take part in such Exhibition.

Now know ye, that We, considering the premises and earnestly desiring to promote the success of the said Exhibition, and reposing great trust and confidence in your fidelity, discretion, and integrity, do authorize and appoint you, Our said most dear son, Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, President, together with you, the said Alfred Ernest Albert, Duke of Edinburgh ; Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn ; George William Frederick Charles, Duke of Cambridge ; William Drogo, Duke of Manchester ; Richard Plantagenet Campbell, Duke of Buckingham and Chandos ; Henry Charles Keith, Marquess of Lansdowne ; Robert Arthur Talbot, Marquess of Salisbury ; George Augustus Constantine, Marquess of Normanby ; George Frederick Samuel, Marquess of Ripon ; Spencer Compton Cavendish, commonly called Marquess of Hartington ; Sir John George Edward Henry Douglas Sutherland Campbell, commonly called the Marquess of Lorne ; James Hamilton, commonly called Marquess of Hamilton ; Edward Henry, Earl of Derby ; John William, Earl of Dalhousie ; Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery ; Henry Howard Molyneux, Earl of Carnarvon ; George Henry, Earl Cadogan ; Granville George, Earl Granville ; John, Earl of Kimberley ; Frederick Temple, Earl of Dufferin ; Thomas George, Earl of Northbrook ; Edward Robert Lytton, Earl of Lytton ; Gathorne, Viscount Cranbrook ; William Coutts, Baron Ashford, commonly called Viscount Bury ; Donald James, Baron Reay ; Hugh Henry, Baron Strathnairn ; Robert Cornelis, Baron Napier of Magdala ; Henry Austin, Baron Aberdare ; Anthony Evelyn Melbourne Ashley, commonly called the Honourable Anthony Evelyn Melbourne Ashley ; Edward Stanhope, commonly called the Honourable Edward Stanhope ; Sir Stafford Henry Northcote ; Sir James Fergusson ; Hugh Culling Eardley Childers ; William Edward Forster ; Sir William Henry Gregory ; Sir Lyon Playfair ; Sir Michael Edward Hicks Beach ; Anthony John Mundella ; Mountstuart Elphinstone Grant-Duff ; Sir Louis Mallet ; The Lord Mayor of Our City of London for the time being ; The Lord Provost of Our City of Edinburgh for the time being ; The Lord Mayor of Our City of Dublin for the time being ; Sir Henry Thurstan Holland ; Sir Daniel Cooper ; Sir John Rose ; Sir Patrick Grant ; Sir Frederick Paul Haines ; Sir Henry Creswicke Rawlinson ; Sir Charles Henry Brownlow ; Sir Edwin Beaumont Johnson ; Sir Henry Dominick Daly ; Sir Samuel James Browne ; Sir Peter Stark Lumsden ; Sir Thomas Brassey ; Sir Robert George Wyndham Herbert ; Sir Frederick Richard Pollock ; Sir Harry Burnett Lumsden ; Sir Barrow Helbert Ellis ; Sir Dighton Macnaghten Probyn ; Sir Joseph Fayrer ; Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker ; Sir Owen Tudor Burne ; Sir Robert Groves Sandeman ; Sir Lepel Henry Griffin ; Sir Oliver Beauchamp Coventry St. John ; Sir Andrew Clarke ; Sir Edward Selby Smyth ; Sir Arthur Blyth ; Sir Charles Tupper ; Sir Francis Dillon Bell ; Sir Saul Samuel ; Sir William Charles Sergeaunt ; Sir Charles Hutton Gregory ; Sir John Coode ; Sir George Christopher Molesworth Birdwood ; John Watson ; Henry Yule ; Martin Dillon ; Charles John Foster ; John Arthur Godley ; Horace George Walpole ; Richard Strachey ; James Michael ; Arthur Edward Augustus Ellis ; Edward Ridley Colbourne Bradford ; Robert Anstruther Dalyell ; Charles Mills ; Arthur Hodgson ; Montagu Frederick Ommanney ; Robert Murray Smith ; Augustus John Adderley ; James Francis Garrick ; the President of the Royal Academy of Arts for the time being ; the President of the Royal Geographical Society for the time being ; the President of the Royal Agricultural Society for the time being ; the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers for the time being ; the President of the Association of Chambers of Commerce for Our United Kingdom for the time being ; Henry Coppinger Beeton ; Edward Birkbeck ; Ernest Edward Blake ; Bertram Woodhouse Currie ; Julius de Reuter ; Samuel Morley ; William George Pedder ; and John Pender, to be Our Commissioners to advise Us upon the best mode by which the Products of Industry, Agriculture, and the Fine Arts of Our said Colonial and Indian Dominions may be procured and sent to the said Exhibition.

And Our will and pleasure is that you, or any three or more of you, when and so often as need or occasion shall require, so long as this Our Commission shall continue in force, do report to Us in writing, under your hands and seals respectively, all and every the several proceedings of yourselves had by virtue of these presents.

And whereas We think it expedient for the special purposes of this Commission to obtain the advice and assistance of certain native Princes and Chiefs, We do further appoint :—

His Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad ;

His Highness the Maharajah (Gaekwar) of Baroda ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Mysore, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

Her Highness the Begum of Bhopal, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Member of Our Imperial Order of the Crown of India ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Cashmere and Jummoo, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Honorary General of Our Forces ;

His Highness the Maharajah Scindia of Gwalior, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, Honorary General of Our Forces ;

His Highness the Maharajah Holkar of Indore, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Oudipore ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

His Highness the Nawab of Bahawulpore, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Jeypore ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Jodhpore, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Patiala ;

His Highness the Maharajah of Benares, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India.

His Highness the Thakur Saheb of Bhowuggur, Knight Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India ; and

The Maharajah of Vizianagram—

to be Our Commissioners for the purposes aforesaid, in addition to and together with the several Commissioners herein already appointed.

And, lastly, We do by these presents ordain, that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and effect until the close of the said Exhibition, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, shall and may from time to time, and at any place or places, proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing contained therein, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And for the purpose of aiding you in such matters, We hereby appoint Our trusty and well beloved Sir Francis Philip Cunliffe-Owen, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of Our Order of the Indian Empire, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the eighth day of *November*, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, in the forty-eighth year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

W. V. Harcourt.