

### Admiral Sturdee.

HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO HIGHEST RANK TO BE HAD IN THE BRITISH NAVY.

What the baton of field marshal is for officers of the army the flag of an admiral of the fleet is in the British navy, and the many friends in Canada of Sir Frederick Doveton Sturdee "of the Falkland Islands" will be gratified to learn that he has just been promoted by King George to this the very highest rank in his possession. Naval men will remember him in connection with the troubles in Samoa near a quarter of a century ago, and also as the victorious commander in the one great and decisive naval battle in the great war—namely, the total destruction of the German fleet under Admiral Count Spee off the Falkland Islands in the spring of 1915.

How Sturdee arrived there in the nick of time, his coming quite unexpected, and how he annihilated the German fleet with comparatively little loss of life among his own men, by reason of the superior range of their guns, is a matter of history and furnishes a shining page in the naval annals of Great Britain. Sturdee's victory off the Falkland Islands preserved many hundreds of allied and neutral merchantmen from being captured or sunk by the German raiders, and for his services, the full value of which has never been entirely appreciated by the public, he received the thanks of Parliament, a vote of money by the nation, a baronetcy and promotion to the rank of vice-admiral. Subsequently he took part in the battle of Jutland, which as a victory was unfortunately of a less decisive character though through no fault of Admiral Sturdee, second in command.

Sir Frederick, the eldest of whose baronetcy by order of King George bears the additional words "of the Falkland Isles" appended to his title is part and parcel of the dignity which makes his home with Lady Sturdee at his country seat in Hampshire, known as Meon Lea, near the village of Droxford, so familiar to all the disciples of Isaac Walton. For it was at the rectory of Droxford that Isaac Walton spent all the closing years of his life, fishing his famous trout stream, the Meon, and making his

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home with his son-in-law, the rector, Rev. Dr. Hawkins, and with Mrs. Hawkins, nee Walton Sir Frederick has an only son of the name of Lionel to inherit his honors. He belongs to the same calling as his father and won his promotion to the rank of commander by gallantry in the great war.

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His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Lorne Lea, Esq., M.A., to be a member of the Council of Higher Education, in place of F. L. Harrison, Esq., resigned; Mr. Arthur Cashin (Barry Point), to be a Surveyor of Lumber; Rev. Harvey Russell, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Bay Bulls Arm, in place of Rev. Gilbert Ryan, left the District; Rev. S. R. Cooper, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Campbellton, in place of Rev. William Reid, left the District; Rev. Joseph C. Lewis, (La. Seie) to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Thill Cove, in place of Rev. Maxwell Parsons, left the District; Rev. Maxwell Parsons (St. George's) to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Bay St. George, in place of Mr. Alex. Hudson, resigned; Mr. James Sparkes (Shearston), to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Bay Roberts, in place of Mr. Robert Earle, left the District; Mr. Stephen Sellars, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Western Bay, in place of Mr. Alexander Sellars, retired. Department of the Colonial Secretary, October 4th, 1921.

### NOTE.

In the notification of appointment to the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Bay Roberts, gazetted on the 27th September last, for "Mr. J. R. Dawe," read "Mr. J. W. Dawe."

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### Bar's Guest of Honor.

A remarkable oration and his unanimous installation as an honorary member of the Canadian Bar Association, was the meet of appreciation tendered Sir John Simon at Ottawa, upon the conclusion of his address on the subject of "the vocation of an advocate." The address was public, in connection with the annual meeting of the Association at Ottawa. The audience included leading public men in Ottawa, as well as judges and barristers from out-of-town points, and their ladies.

Lawyers, said Sir John, were a misunderstood class, denounced for vices they never practised, and acclaimed for virtues to which they seldom attained. Even at his best a lawyer was supposed to possess supernatural coolness and cunning, able to produce a witness as a conjuror produces a rabbit from the hat of his coat. The real truth was, however, said Sir John, that the advocate was a plain, hard-working person. It was to the glory of the legal profession, he said, that men trained in law and imbued with its powers have so often proved leaders in national progress. It was a profession which opened the road to public service. Often it was that a lawyer's brief was liberty and his client's humanity.

Mr. Justice Duff presided, and in his speech of introduction referred to Sir John Simon as a leader of the English Bar. Alms Geoffries, K.C., Montreal, tendered the vote of thanks and proposed that he be made an honorary member of the association, which was unanimously approved.—Weekly Star.

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