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88	2	Paragraph 3 (last 3 lines) -	Of the 2,000 deaths from suffocation in bed that occur annually, 283 per 1,000 take place on Satur- day nights.	In 1890 there were 2,020 in quest cases held in various parts of the country; in 767 of which cases the cause of death was returned as suffocation in bed. Of these deaths from suffoca- tion, 288 per 1,000 took place on Saturday nights.

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# ROYAL WARRANT APPOINTING THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON LABOUR.

VICTORIA, R.

Wittoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith.

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Spencer Compton Cavendish, commonly called Marquess of Hartington; 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 right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Sir Michael Edward Hicks-Beach, Baronet, President of the Board of Trade; Our right trusty and wellbeloved Councillor Anthony John Mundella; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Henry Hartley Fowler; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Leonard Henry Courtney; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Sir John Eldon Gorst, Knight, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law, one of the Under Secretaries of State to Our Principal Secretary of State for India; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Frederick Pollock, Baronet, Master of Arts, Corpus Professor of Jurisprudence in Our University of Oxford; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Edward James Harland, Baronet; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir William Thomas Lewis, Knight; Our trusty and well-beloved Alfred Marshall, Esquire, Master of Arts, Professor of Political Economy in Our University of Cambridge; Our trusty and well-beloved William Abraham, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Michael Austin, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Gerald William Balfour, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Joseph Cheney Bolton, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Thomas Burt, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Jesse Collings, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved David Dale, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Alfred Hewlett, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Thomas Henry Ismay, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved George Livesey, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Tom Mann, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved James Mawdsley, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Samuel Plimsoll, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Henry Tait, Esquire; Our trusty and well-beloved Edward Trow, Esquire; and Our trusty and well-beloved William Tunstill, Esquire, greeting.

**Whereas** We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to inquire into the questions affecting the relations between employer and employed; the combinations of employers and of employed; and the conditions of labour which have been raised during the recent trade disputes in the United Kingdom; and to report whether legislation can with advantage be directed to the remedy of any evils that may be disclosed, and, if so, in what manner.

flow know pe, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have nominated, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents nominate, constitute, and appoint you, the said Spencer Compton Cavendish, commonly

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called Marquess of Hartington; Edward Henry, Earl of Derby; Sir Michael Edward Hicks-Beach; Anthony John Mundella; Henry Hartley Fowler; Leonard Henry Courtney; Sir John Eldon Gorst; Sir Frederick Pollock; Sir Edward James Harland; Sir William Thomas Lewis; Alfred Marshall; William Abraham; Michael Austin; Gerald William Balfour; Joseph Cheney Bolton; Thomas Burt; Jesse Collings; David Dale; Alfred Hewlett; Thomas Henry Ismay; George Livesey; Tom Mann; James Mawdsley; Samuel Plimsoll; Henry Tait; Edward Trow; and William Tunstill; to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these presents give and grant unto you, or any nine 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 inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do further by these presents authorise and empower you, or any nine or more of you, to visit and inquire at such places as you may deem it expedient so to visit and inquire at, for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid; and to employ such persons as you may think fit to assist you in conducting any inquiry which you may hold.

And We do further by these Our presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue; and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any nine or more of you, may 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 We do further ordain that you, or any nine or more of you, have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time, if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any nine or more of you, your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

> Given at Our Court at St. James's, the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, in the fifty-fourth year of Our Reign.

> > By Her Majesty's Command, (Signed) HENRY MATTHEWS.

#### REFERENCE.

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