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RECORD OF THE SERVICES

THE RT. HON. SIR CHARLES HARDINGE, G.C.M.G, G.C.V.O., C.B., I.S.O.

From the Foreign Office List, January, 1910

BORN June 20, 1858. Is a B.A. of Trinity College, Cambridge; graduated in Mathematical honours, February, 1880. Was nominated an Attaché, February 12, 1880; passed an examination, May 31, 1880. Passed an examination in Public Law, December 9, 1880.

Appointed to Constantinople, February 2, 1881. Promoted to be Third Secretary, May 31, 1882. Granted an allowance for knowledge of Turkish, November 8, 1881.

Was Private Secretary to the late Lord Dufferin (afterwards Marquess of Dufferin and Ava).

Transferred to Berlin, December 10, 1884; and to Washington, November 1, 1885. Promoted to be a Second Secretary, December 14, 1885.

Was Acting Chargé d'Affaires from July 12 to August 10, 1886.

Transferred to Sofia, April 16, 1887, where he was Acting Agent and Consul General from November 26 to December 17, 1887; and from May 7 to 27, 1888.

Transferred to Constantinople, July 19, 1888. Was granted an allowance for knowledge of Turkish, July 19, 1888.

Was Acting Agent and Consul General of Sofia from August 8, 1888, to January 22, 1889; and from November 22, 1890, to April 9, 1891; and acted as Chargé d'Affaires at Bucharest from September 11, 1892, to April 8, 1893, where he negotiated, and concluded with Roumania an Extradition Treaty, and a Convention respecting False Marks of Origin and Merchandise.

Transferred to Paris, April 10, 1893. Made a C.B., July 2, 1895.

Promoted to be Secretary of Legation at Tehran, September 1, 1896 where he acted as Chargé d'Affaires, from February 15, 1897, to March 30, 1808.

Granted an allowance for knowledge of Persian, May 6, 1897. Received the Jubilee Medal, 1897.

Promoted to be Secretary of Embassy at St. Petersburg, July 1, 1898, where he acted as Chargé d'Affaires from June 4 to July 4, 1890, and from September 27, to December 10, 1899.

Granted an allowance for knowledge of Russian, September 24, 1899.

Again acted as Chargé d'Affaires from September 14 to November 25, 1900; from September 21 to November 30, 1901; from June 16 to July 18, 1902; and from October 9 to December 13, 1902.

Received the Coronation Medal, 1902.

Appointed Assistant Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, February 6, 1903.

Was given the rank of Minister Plenipotentiary while in attendance on the King, or otherwise serving abroad, March 24, 1903. Accompanied the King on His Majesty's visit to Lisbon, Rome, and Paris, 1903.

Made a C.V.O., April 15, 1903. Sworn a Privy Councillor, March 7, 1904; and made a K.C.M.G., March 26, 1904.

Appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at St-Petersburg, April 28, 1904.

Made a K.C.V.O., May 10, 1904; a G.C.M.G., January 2, 1905; and a G.C.V.O., November 9, 1905.

Appointed Permanent Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, February 1, 1906.

Accompanied the King as Minister in Attendance on His Majesty's visit to Athens, in April, 1906; to Friedrichshof in August, 1906; to Carthagena and Gaeta in April, 1907; to Wilhelmshohe and Ischl in August, 1907; to Copenhagen, Stockholm, and Christiana in April, 1908; to Reval in June, 1908; and to Friedrichshof and Ischl in August, 1908.

Appointed a Companion of the Imperial Service Order, June 29, 1906. Has received the Grand Cross of the Portuguese Order of Our Lady of the Conception; the Grand Cross of the Italian Order of the Crown of Italy; the Grand Cross of the Greek Order of the Redeemer; the Grand Cross of the Spanish Order of Charles III; the Grand Cross of the Austrian Order of Leopold; the Grand Cross of the Dannish Order of the Dannebrog; the Grand Cross of the Swedish Order of Vasa; the Grand Cross of the Norwegian Order of St. Olaf; the Grand Cross of the Russian Order of Alexander Nevsk; the Grand Cross of the German Order of the Red Eagle; and is a Grand Officer of the French Legion of Honour.

Also

Appointed Viceroy and Governor-General of India, June 11, 1910. Made a G.C.B., June 24, 1910; raised to the Peerage "by the name, style, and title" of Baron Hardinge of Penshurst in the County of Kent, August 2, 1910; invested by the King with the insignia of G.C.I.E. and G.C.S.I., October 12, 1910.

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