

William. F. Dickson.

DICKSON, Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir William (Forster), G.C.B., 1953 (K.C.B. 1952; C.B. 1942); K.B.E. 1946 (C.B.E. 1945; O.B.E. 1934); D.S.O. 1918; A.F.C. 1922; l.d.c.; p.s.a.; *b.* 24 September 1898; *s.* of late C. C. Forster Dickson, Chancery Registrar's Office, Royal Courts of Justice, and of late Agnes Nelson Dickson, Northwood, Middlesex; *m.* 1932, Patricia Marguerite, *d.* of late Sir Walter Allen, K.B.E.; one *d.* (and one *d.* decd.). *Educ.:* Bowden House, Seaford; Halleybury Coll. Royal Naval Air Service, 1916-18 (D.S.O., despatches thrice); transferred to R.A.F., 1918; Permanent Commission in R.A.F., 1919; employed on Naval Flying work, 1919-21; Test pilot, R.A.F., 1921-22; Air Ministry, 1923-26; No. 56 (Fighter) Squadron, 1926-27; R.A.F. Staff Coll., Andover, 1927-28; posted to India, 1929; served on N.W. Frontier, 1929-30 and at H.Q. R.A.F. Delhi (despatches); commanded R.A.F. Station, Hawkinge, and No. 25 (Fighter) Squadron, 1935-36; Directing Staff, Staff College, 1936-38; Imperial Defence College, 1939; Director of Plans, Air Ministry, 1941-42; commanded Nos. 9 and 10 Groups in Fighter Command, 1942-43; commanded No. 83 Group in Tactical Air Force, 1943-44; commanded Desert Air Force, 1944; Assistant Chief of Air Staff (Policy), Air Ministry, 1945-46; Vice-Chief of Air Staff, Air Ministry, 1946-48; C-in-C., M.E. Air Force, 1948-50; Member for Supply and Organisation, Air Council, 1950-52; Chief of the Air Staff, 1953-56; Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee, 1956-59; Chief of Defence Staff, 1958-59. Pres. Royal Central Asian Soc., 1961-; Pres. Ex-Services Mental Welfare Soc., 1960-; Pres. Halleybury Soc., 1962. Russian Order of Suvarov, 1944; U.S.A. Legion of Merit. *Address:* 3 Sheen Common Drive, Richmond, Surrey. *Clubs:* United Service, Royal Air Force.

two d.; m. 1958, Miss A. Taylor, 12 First Avenue, Hove. *Educ.*: Stonyhurst Coll. Joined Shaw Saville and Co., sailing ships, 1899; commission Sub-Lieut., R.I.M., 1905; Commander, 1918; Captain, 1928; saw service Persian Gulf Arms Traffic Operations 1910-14. H.M.S. Lawrence, 1914-15; Divisional Navy Transport Officer Central Headquarters to 1922. Command R.I.M.S. Dufferin and Clive, 1923-24. Deputy Port Conservator, Madras, 1925-26. Port Officer, Bombay, 1927; Captain Superintendent, I.M.M.T.S. Dufferin Bombay 1927-37; retired, 1938; War of 1939-45; A.R. to March 1940; joined R.N. as Temp. Captain served with B.E.F. in France, Shetland Clyde, India, 1943-45, as Commodore 2nd class; M.W.T. London and Australia as Principal British Sea Transport Officer. Chief Scout's Commissioner, 1947; Chm. Officer Pension Soc., 1949-; Pres. Nat. Amateur Tobacco Growers' Assoc., 1951-. Chairman Branches Cttee., The Diabetic Assoc. Knight of St. Gregory, 1938. *Publications*: redrafted Marine Transport Regulations. *Address*: c/o National and Grindlay's Bank, 54 Parliament Street, S.W.1; 16 Eaton Gdns., Hove, Sussex.

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