

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent.

Kent Rifle Volunteers.

9th Company.

George Robinson Brock, Gent., to be Captain, vice Best, resigned. Dated 24th March, 1860.

18th Company.

James William Hott, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 26th March, 1860.

27th Company.

The Reverend Benjamin Sanderson Ffinch, M.A., to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 24th March, 1860.

31st Company.

Charles Wykeham Martin, Esq., M.P., to be Captain. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Baldwin Francis Duppa, Esq., to be Lieutenant. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

George Blackett, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Charles Sedgwick, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

32nd Company.

Frederick George Saunders, Esq., to be Captain. Dated 22nd March 1860.

33rd Company.

Multon Lambarde, Esq., to be Captain. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Nelson Rycroft, Esq., to be Lieutenant. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

34th Company.

Hugh Edmonton Montgomerie, Gent., late Captain Montreal Light Infantry Canada Volunteers, to be Captain. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

James Balken, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Edward Callow, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Robert Nathaniel Mitchell, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. [Dated 23rd March, 1860.

The Reverend Charles Forbes Septimus Money, M.A., to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 23rd March, 1860.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Cumberland.

6th Cumberland Rifle Volunteers.

Joseph Dickinson, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 22nd March, 1860.

John Friend, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 22nd March, 1860.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Westmorland.

1st Westmorland Rifle Volunteers.

Francis Fenwick Pearson, Gent., to be Lieutenant.

John Preston, Gent., to be Ensign.

Thomas Harper Whitaker, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon.

The Reverend Edward Pigot to be Honorary Chaplain.

5th Westmorland Rifle Volunteers.

Robert Jefferson, Gent., to be Lieutenant.

John Bolton, Gent., to be Ensign.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Southampton.

3rd Company Hampshire Rifle Volunteers.

Edward Chinery, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 27th March, 1860.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Salop.

Shropshire Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant Frederick Henry Mainwaring to be Captain, vice Cotton, resigned. Dated 28th March, 1860.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Berwick.

2nd Berwickshire Rifle Volunteers.

Sir John Marjoribanks, Bart., to be Captain.

Matthew Dysert Hunter to be Lieutenant.

Thomas Hood to be Ensign.

Alexander Brown to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty for the regulation of the duties of postage certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and were made chargeable and payable upon, for, and in respect of letters, newspapers, Parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post. And by the said Act power was given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury (amongst other things) from time to time by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time by Warrant as aforesaid to alter or repeal any of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and from time to time by Warrant as aforesaid to appoint at what time the rates which might be payable were to be paid.

And whereas the provision fixing the maximum weight of letters to be sent by the post in the said before recited Act was repealed, and further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury in that behalf by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post-office.

And whereas it is expedient that regulations should be made for the transmission by the post of packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature and art, and other printed papers, between the United Kingdom and Gothenburgh, in the kingdom of Sweden, in the manner hereinafter mentioned and contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers vested in us in and by the said two before-mentioned Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant, under the

hands of two of us the said Commissioners (by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided) order, direct, and declare as follows:

1. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Gothenburgh, or posted at Gothenburgh addressed to the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Gothenburgh (the sea conveyance being by British or foreign packet-boat direct). And all such respective packets shall be transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions, hereinafter mentioned and contained; and the single rate of postage for the transmission of such packets shall be the sum of three pence. And all such respective packets so transmitted and chargeable with postage as aforesaid shall be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:

On every such packet if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for the transmission thereof, respectively as aforesaid, the uniform single rate of postage of three pence.

And on every such packet exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid progressive and additional rates of postage as follows (that is to say):

On every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, two rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding eight ounces and not exceeding one pound in weight, four rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and not exceeding one pound and one-half of another pound in weight, six rates of postage.

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of one pound and one half of another pound in weight there shall be charged, taken, and paid two additional rates of postage; and every fractional part of such additional half of a pound in weight shall be charged as an additional half of a pound in weight. And each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such packet would be charged with under this Warrant if not exceeding four ounces in weight.

No such packet which in length, or breadth, or width shall exceed the dimensions of two feet, shall be forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

The terms "books, publications, or works of literature, or art," in this Warrant used, shall for the purposes of this Warrant, mean and comprise all such articles as in their general character are either literary, or consist of printed, written, engraved or lithographed matter (although not strictly literary), including books (whether printed, written or plain); publications or compilations (whether in print or in manuscript); almanacks, printed or lithographed; letters and such artistic productions, as prints, maps (whether on paper or canvas, or cloth, and whether printed or written); and photographs, when not on glass or in frames containing glass; and any description of paper, parchment, or vellum (whether printed, lithographed, written upon,

or plain, or any mixture of the four); together with any binding, mounting, or covering of or upon or belonging to any such article or production, or any portion thereof, or of or belonging to any paper, parchment, or vellum; and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book markers (whether of paper or otherwise); pencils, pens, or other things usually appertaining to any such article or production, paper, parchment, or vellum, or necessary for its safe transmission, which shall be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it shall belong. And all letters, notices, and other communications, whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum, partly printed, or partly lithographed and partly written, which, if wholly written, would not be considered letters or communications in the nature of letters, may be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant; but any letter, notice, or other communication (whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum), partly printed or partly

lithographed and partly written, which, if wholly written, would be considered a letter or a communication in the nature of a letter, shall not be entitled to the privilege of being transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant: provided that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize the sending by the post under the provisions of this Warrant of any patterns, or books of patterns, or papers of patterns, of any article or thing whatsoever, unless such patterns shall consist merely of paper.

Every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant shall be sent open at the ends or sides, and either without a cover or in a cover or envelope open at the ends or sides.

No packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant shall contain any written letter, either closed or open, nor any written communication in the nature of a letter, either closed or open (whether such letter or communication be addressed to, or intended for the person to whom the packet shall be directed or any other person), nor any enclosure sealed, or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure not authorized by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet, nor shall there be any written letter, or written communication in the nature of a letter, in or upon any such packet, or on the cover or envelope thereof.

Every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, and posted in the United Kingdom, shall be put into the Post-office at such hours in the day, and under all all such regulations as the Postmaster-General may appoint.

Upon every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, which shall be posted in the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of posting the same.

2. Every letter, notice, or other communication (whether upon paper, parchment, or vellum), partly printed, or partly lithographed, and partly written, which if wholly written would be considered a letter, or a communication in the nature of a letter, sent by the post, shall be deemed and considered to be a letter and shall be chargeable with postage as a letter.

3. If any question shall arise whether any such letter, notice, or other communication as last

hereinbefore mentioned is entitled to the privilege of a printed paper, so far as respects the transmission thereof by the post, or of being sent by the post under the authority of this Warrant, the same shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final.

4. If any packet sent, or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the authority of this Warrant, shall in length, or breadth, or width, exceed the dimensions of two feet, or if any such packet, or the cover or envelope thereof, shall not be open at the ends or sides, or if any such packet shall be sent, otherwise than in conformity with the terms, conditions, and regulations hereinbefore contained, every such packet shall and may be detained and opened, and at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, and every such packet on being so returned or given up shall, at the option of the Postmaster-General, be either free of postage, or be charged with any rate of postage he may think fit, not exceeding the postage to which it would have been liable as a letter.

5. If any packet sent, or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the authority of this Warrant from the United Kingdom to Gothenburgh (any such packet posted in London, and sent from any department or office, in or connected with the public service of Her Majesty, which shall keep a postage account with the General Post Office in London, and the postage thereof being charged in such account, only excepted), shall be posted in the United Kingdom, without any postage being paid thereon, or with a postage paid thereon less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet shall be liable under and by virtue of the regulations hereinbefore contained, every such packet shall be detained and opened, and at the option of the Postmaster-General shall be dealt with and chargeable in like manner as is hereinbefore directed with respect to any packet not open at the ends or sides, or which may exceed in length, or breadth, or width, the dimensions of two feet.

6. All packets transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and rates of postage respectively contained in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, under the hands of two of the said Commissioners, bearing date the 19th day of February, 1855, relating to redirected rates of postage upon packets which shall be redirected and again forwarded by the post.

7. The rates of postage chargeable on packets transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, shall be in lieu of any rates of British postage now chargeable by law thereon.

8. The several terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as they would have had if inserted in the said Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty.

9. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands duly made, at any time hereafter alter, repeal, or revoke any of the rates of postage hereby fixed or altered, or any of the orders, directions, regulations, or conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, or conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

10. This Warrant shall come into operation on the second day of April, 1860.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the twenty-eighth day of March, 1860.

E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen.
William Dunbar.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ACT BY MELTHAM, YORKSHIRE.

WHEREAS the Local Government Act, 1858, was duly adopted by the township of Meltham, in the county of York on the 29th day of February, 1860; and notice of such adoption has been duly given, in writing, to me, as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, as required by such Act; and whereas it has now been duly certified to me that a copy of such notice has been advertized for three successive weeks in one of the local newspapers published and circulated in the aforesaid township, and that copies of such notice have also been affixed to the principal doors of each church and chapel in such township, to which notices are usually affixed, and the period of twenty-one days fixed by the said Act for appeal against the resolution for the adoption of the said Act, by such township, has now expired, and no such appeal has been made:

Now, therefore, I, as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby give notice, that the Local Government Act, 1858, has been adopted within the township of Meltham, in the county of York, and that, in accordance with the provisions thereof, the said Act will, at the expiration of two months from the date of the passing of the aforesaid resolution, have the force of law within such township.

Given under my hand this twenty-eighth day of March, 1860.

G. C. Lewis.

Home-Office, Whitehall.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 9.)—NORTH ATLANTIC.—COAST OF SPAIN.

Fixed Light on Isla Mouro.

THE Minister of Marine at Madrid has given Notice that on and after the 15th day of February, 1860, a light would be exhibited from the light-tower recently erected on Mouro Islet, at the entrance of the Port of Santander, on the southern shore of the Bay of Biscay, north coast of Spain.

The light is a *fixed white* light, illuminating an arc of 270° of the horizon, or from S. by W. to W. by N.; through the remainder of the circle a faint light will be seen when beyond the distance of 4½ cables' lengths from the lighthouse. The light is elevated 141 feet above the level of high water, and should be seen in clear weather from a distance of 12 miles.

The illuminating apparatus is catoptric, or by reflectors of the fifth order.

The light-tower is slightly conical, 56 feet high from base to upper balcony, and stands 14 yards from the north shore of the islet. It rises from the centre of the light-keeper's dwelling, which is circular, and both are built of white stone; the windows and top of lanterns are painted green, and upper balcony, red. The dwelling will be hid by the rocks off the islet when approaching it from the north-east. The position of the light-