

## BREVET.

Brevet-Colonel William C. E. Napier, Major, Unattached, to have the temporary rank of Brigadier-General while in command of a Brigade. Dated 1st January, 1865.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Henry Clifton, half-pay, Unattached, having completed the qualifying Service in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, to be Colonel, under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 14th October, 1858. Dated 26th December, 1864.

Captain and Brevet-Major Frederick Gordon Christie, retired full-pay, late Staff Officer of Pensioners, to have the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 1st January, 1865.

## MEMORANDA.

Captain and Brevet-Major John St. Leger, half-pay, York Chasseurs, has been permitted to retire from the Service by the sale of his Commission, under the conditions of the Horse Guards' Circular Memorandum of the 15th February, 1861. Dated 30th December, 1864.

The Commissions of Assistant-Surgeon Leslie Ogilvy Patterson and Staff Assistant-Surgeon Edward Thiselton to the 35th Foot, which appeared in the Gazette of 20th June, 1854, have been antedated to the 7th June, 1854. The antedate not to carry back pay.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*  
30th December, 1864.

*Cape Mounted Riflemen,* Captain and Brevet-Major John McDonnell to be Major, by purchase, vice Thomas Hare, who retires. Dated 30th December, 1864.

*Admiralty, 28th December, 1864.*

The following promotions have been made:—

Mr. Henry Thornton to be Acting Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 12th October, 1864.

Mr. Michael Joseph Shannon to be First Class Assistant Engineer, with seniority of 22nd December, 1864.

Mr. William Theodore Ray to be First Class Assistant Engineer, with seniority of 25th December, 1864.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Radnor.*

*3rd Radnorshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Ensign Thomas Evans Duggan to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Baskerville Mynors, resigned. Dated 9th December, 1864.

George Wilson, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Thomas Evans Duggan, promoted. Dated 9th December, 1864.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Renfrew.*

*1st Renfrewshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

First Lieutenant John Neill to be Captain, vice Cuthbert, resigned. Dated 27th December, 1864.

Second Lieutenant Robert Muir to be First Lieutenant, vice Neill, promoted. Dated 27th December, 1864.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Ross.*

*96th, Ross, Caithness, Sutherland, and Cromarty Regiment of Militia, or the Highland Rifle Militia.*

Hugh Murray, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Smith, resigned. Dated 24th December, 1864.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Lancaster.*

*21st Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

Second Lieutenant James Humber to be First Lieutenant, vice Threlfall, resigned. Dated 15th December, 1864.

Walter Simpson, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, vice Dawson, resigned. Dated 15th December, 1864.

*1st Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Thomas Bibby Troughton the younger, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 14th December, 1864.

*1st Manchester or 6th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Joseph Walker the younger, Esq., to be Captain. Dated 14th December, 1864.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Sussex.*

*5th Sussex Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

James Richardson Pearless to be Ensign, vice Rudge, resigned. Dated 19th December, 1864.

Robert Turner Head to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon, vice Whyte, resigned. Dated 19th December, 1864.

## TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or 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 whereas by the said Act powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from time to time, and at any time thereafter, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland 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 may be payable are to be paid, and the power thereby given to alter and fix rates of postage is extended to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by an

Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act 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 the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury did, by a certain Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 21st day of July, 1857 (inter alia), authorize and make regulations for the transmission by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of Cape Town, in the Cape of Good Hope, of certain packets, and fix and establish certain rates of postage, to be payable in respect thereof.

And whereas the said Commissioners did, by a certain other Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1859, authorize and make regulations for the transmission by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and the ports of Mossel Bay (Alliwal) and Port Elizabeth (Algoa Bay), within the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, of similar packets, and fix and establish similar rates of postage to be payable in respect thereof.

And whereas it is expedient that the said recited Warrants should be repealed to the extent hereinafter respectively mentioned, and that packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, should be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and the Cape of Good Hope, and that certain rates should be fixed and regulations made for that purpose, in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers or authority in us for that purpose vested in and by the said hereinbefore-recited Acts of Parliament, 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, posted in any part of the United Kingdom addressed to any part of the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, or posted in any part of the said colony addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the Cape of Good Hope, by British packet boat direct, or private ship, subject to the several 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, an uniform single rate of postage (British and colonial combined) of three pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for such transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned.

2. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, posted in any part of the United Kingdom, addressed to any part of the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, or posted in any part of the said colony, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the

post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the Cape of Good Hope, by British packet boat via Suez, subject to the several 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, an uniform single rate of postage (British, foreign, and colonial combined) of four pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for such transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned.

3. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, posted in any part of the United Kingdom, addressed to any part of the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, or posted in any part of the said colony, addressed to any part of the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the Cape of Good Hope, in closed mails, via France and via Suez (the sea conveyance being by British or colonial packet boat) subject to the several 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 an uniform single rate of postage (British, foreign, and colonial combined) of six pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for such transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned.

4. Every such packet which shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, if exceeding four ounces in weight, shall be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned and set forth; that is to say:—

On every such packet, if exceeding four ounces and not exceeding one half of a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding one-half of a pound 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 on every such packet, if exceeding one pound and one-half of another pound and not exceeding two pounds in weight, eight rates of postage;

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of two pounds 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.

5. Every packet transmitted by the post under this Warrant shall be subject to the several regula-

tions, orders, directions, and conditions hereinafter contained; that is to say:—

No such packet which in length, or breadth, or depth shall exceed the dimensions of two feet shall be forwarded by the post under the provisions aforesaid;

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: Provided, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize the sending by the post under the provisions of this Warrant of 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 communication in the nature of a letter, nor of any packets consisting of, or containing any, photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents which may be obviously of an obscene character, nor of any packet comprising prints or printed matter, unless such prints or printed matter shall consist only of prints or printed matter on paper, parchment, or vellum.

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, and there shall be no 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 authorised by this Warrant sent in or with any 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.

6. Upon every packet transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant, and posted in any part of the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall, in every case, be paid at the time of the same being posted, not in money, but by being duly stamped with the proper postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, which stamp or stamps shall, in every case, be affixed or appear on the outside of every such packet near the address or direction, and shall be of the value or amount of the postage duty payable thereon under or by virtue of this Warrant.

7. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid, posted in the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, shall, in every case, be paid at the time of the same being posted either in money or by the proper colonial stamp or stamps being affixed thereto.

8. In order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any officer of the Post Office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be despatched in due course of the post, or (at his option) until the despatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought, in due course of the post, to be forwarded by him.

9. If any packet sent or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be sent otherwise than in conformity with the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions hereinbefore in this Warrant contained, every such packet shall and may be detained and opened, and, at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall (except in the cases provided for by the two clauses next hereinafter contained) be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom it shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and every such packet on being so returned, given up, or forwarded 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, and such postage shall be either paid by the sender or by the person to whom the packet shall be forwarded.

10. If any packet sent or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall contain any written letter or any written communication in the nature of a letter, whether closed or open, or any enclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, or any other enclosure not authorized by this Warrant, every such letter, or communication, or enclosure, may be taken out by any officer of the Post Office and either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be forwarded to the address on the packet, charged in either case not only with the full rates of postage as an unpaid letter, but also with a further and additional rate of postage, equal in amount to the single rate of postage chargeable under the provisions of this Warrant on a packet not exceeding four ounces in weight, and the remainder of the packet, if the postage be duly paid when posted, may be forwarded to the place of its address without any extra charge.

11. If any packet sent or tendered, or delivered in order to be sent by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be posted with a postage paid thereon or having thereon or affixed thereto a postage stamp or stamps the value of which shall be less in amount than the rate

of postage to which such packet would be liable under and by virtue of this Warrant, but equal in amount to the single rate of postage of threepence, fourpence, or sixpence (as the case may be), every such last-mentioned packet shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the difference between the postage so paid thereon, or the value of the postage stamp or stamps so being thereon or affixed thereto, and the postage to which such packet would be liable as aforesaid, together with, in the case of packets forwarded by British packet boat direct, or private ship, a further and additional rate of postage of threepence, and in the case of packets forwarded either *viâ* Suez or *viâ* France and Suez, a further and additional rate of postage of fourpence; but if every such packet shall be posted without any postage having been paid thereon, or without having thereon or affixed thereto any postage stamp, or with a postage paid thereon, or postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, which shall be of or represent a less amount than the single rate of postage of threepence, fourpence, or sixpence, as the case may be, chargeable under this Warrant, every such packet shall and may be detained and opened, and shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof.

12. 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 present Majesty.

13. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any article, matter, or thing transmitted by the post under this Warrant is entitled to the book-post privilege, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning of this Warrant, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final.

14. The said recited Warrant, bearing date the 21st day of July, 1857, shall, so far as it relates to Cape Town aforesaid, and the said recited Warrant, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1859, shall wholly, and all other Warrants and parts of Warrants (if any) relating to the transmission by the post of such packets as will be transmissible under this Warrant, shall be, and the same are, hereby respectively, and to the extent aforesaid, repealed, revoked, and annulled; nevertheless, no Treasury Warrant, or part of a Treasury Warrant, repealed by the Treasury Warrants hereby repealed, or any one or more of them, shall be revived by this Warrant.

15. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands, or the hands of any two of them, 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, and conditions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, orders, directions, regulations, and conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

16. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the twenty-sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

*Luke White.*

*Wm. Dunbar.*

## TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland 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 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 may be payable are to be paid. And it is provided that the power thereby given to alter and fix rates of postage should extend to any increase or reduction or remission of postage.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act of Parliament passed in the session of Parliament holden in the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, cap. 85, 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 the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant in writing under their hands, duly made, and bearing date the 1st day of September, in the year of our Lord 1840, did, amongst other things, direct that on all printed prices current and printed commercial lists, conveyed by packet boat or by any vessel, from any of Her Majesty's colonies, addressed to any place within the United Kingdom, there should be charged and taken a rate of postage of one penny each; and on all such printed prices current and commercial lists passing through the United Kingdom there should be charged and taken a rate of British postage of two pence each; and on all printed prices current and commercial lists sent from France or China to any place within the United Kingdom, there should be charged and taken a rate of British postage of one penny each; and on all printed prices current and commercial lists sent from any foreign country except France and China to the United Kingdom, or from any of Her Majesty's colonies through France to the United Kingdom, there should be charged and taken a rate of British postage of two pence each.

And whereas it is expedient to alter and repeal the said several rates of postage so chargeable on printed prices current and printed commercial lists by the said recited Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the said 1st day of September, in the year of our Lord 1840, as aforesaid, and in lieu thereof to make other rates in certain cases, and in certain other cases to remit such rates of postage, and for that purpose to repeal so much of the said Warrant bearing date the 1st day of September, 1840, as is hereinbefore recited, in manner hereinafter mentioned and contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said before recited 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