

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

15th Hants Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Thomas Sturmev Cave to be Ensign, vice Wetherall, resigned. Dated 25th September, 1865.

Commissions signed by Her Majesty's Commissioners of Lieutenancy for the City of London.

London Rifle Volunteer Brigade.

Lieutenant Edmund Penning Rowsell to be Captain, vice Walter William Bainbridge, resigned. Dated 20th September, 1865.

Lieutenant George Webb to be Captain, vice Walter Lord, resigned. Dated 20th September, 1865.

Lieutenant Francis Gimber Goodliffe to be Captain. Dated 20th September, 1865.

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

7th Somersetshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

John Willis Pountney, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Tuson, resigned. Dated 23rd September, 1865.

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

18th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Cordy Manby, Gent., to be Captain. Dated 15th September, 1865.

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

2nd Administrative Battalion of Surrey Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Octavius Ommanney to be Major. Dated 14th September, 1865. Retaining at the same time the command of the 9th Surrey Rifle Volunteer Corps.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 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 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 whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 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 certain powers are also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act, passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 27, for amending the laws relating to the stamp duties on news-

papers, and for providing for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain Warrant in writing under their hands, bearing date at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 20th day of December, 1856, did, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament and every of them, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, order and direct that certain letters therein respectively mentioned, and also certain packets consisting of printed newspapers, and certain other packets consisting of printed papers other than newspapers, therein respectively mentioned, might be respectively transmitted by the post in conformity with, and under and subject to certain regulations, orders, directions, and conditions, and at certain rates of postage therein respectively mentioned, contained, and specified.

And whereas it is expedient that certain further and other regulations should be made in the manner hereinafter mentioned:—

Now, we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament, and every or any 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 and direct as follows; that is to say:—

1. On every packet consisting of a printed newspaper, not exceeding four ounces in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, and forwarded via France, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for the transmission thereof, respectively, as aforesaid, the uniform single rate of postage of two pence, and on every packet consisting of printed papers, other than newspapers, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, and forwarded via France, 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 four pence; and on every such packet, respectively chargeable with postage under this clause, which shall exceed four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid on, and in respect of, the said several and respective packets, such progressive and additional rates of postage as are hereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto.

2. All such respective packets, chargeable with postage under the first clause of this Warrant, shall be subject to the same or the like several progressive and additional rates of postage as are mentioned and contained in the 7th clause of the said recited Warrant, bearing date the 20th day of December, 1856, with respect to the several and respective packets in the said 7th clause of the said last-mentioned Warrant mentioned and referred to.

3. For the purposes of this Warrant every printed newspaper transmitted by the post under this Warrant shall be deemed and considered a packet, and shall be charged and chargeable with a separate and distinct single rate or separate and distinct progressive and additional rates of postage according to the weight thereof, as hereinbefore mentioned, notwithstanding two or more newspapers shall be enclosed and transmitted in one and the same cover, wrapper, envelope, or bundle, and form only one parcel or bundle of newspapers, and every printed supplement or additional sheet to any newspaper shall, for the purpose of

charging the postage under this Warrant, be deemed a distinct newspaper, unless sent in the same cover, or together with the newspaper to which it is a supplement or addition.

4. No packet which shall exceed two feet in length, depth, or width, shall be transmitted by the post under the first clause of this Warrant.

5. The said recited Warrant, bearing date the 20th day of December, 1856, shall remain in force, except so far as the same, or any of the provisions thereof, have been altered or revoked by any Warrant or Warrants of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or by any regulations since made by the Postmaster-General; which Warrant or Warrants and regulations; and also the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions in the said recited Warrant, bearing date the 20th day of December, 1856, and now in force, shall (except as provided by the 4th clause of this Warrant, and so far as the same are not inconsistent with or repugnant to the provisions of this Warrant), be applicable thereto, and to the several provisions thereof, in like manner as if the same (not being inconsistent therewith or repugnant thereto) were herein respectively inserted, expressed, and repeated, with respect to all packets mentioned and contained in, and intended to be regulated by, the preceding clauses of this Warrant.

6. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize, of no intrinsic value, posted in any part of the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, may be transmitted by the post from the United Kingdom to Switzerland, via France, 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 of four pence;

And on every such packet, if 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 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, there shall be charged, taken, and paid 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, there shall be charged, taken, and paid 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, 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.

7. All packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize, of no intrinsic value, posted in Malta, addressed to Switzerland, may be transmitted by the post from Malta to Switzerland, via France (the sea conveyance in the Mediterranean being by British or by French packet boat), sub-

ject to the several rates of postage hereinafter mentioned (that is to say):

On every such packet, if not exceeding two ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform single rate of postage of two pence;

And on every such packet, if exceeding two 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 two ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And 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 four rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding one half of a pound and not exceeding one pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid eight rates of postage;

And for every additional half of a pound in weight of any such packet above the weight of one pound, there shall be charged, taken, and paid four 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 two ounces in weight.

8. Every packet which shall be transmitted by the post, under the authority of the 6th and 7th clauses of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereinafter contained (that is to say):

No such packet which shall in length, width, or depth exceed two feet shall be transmitted by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant;

No pattern or sample, being of any intrinsic value, or being an article or thing of a saleable nature, or having a value of its own apart from its mere use as a pattern or sample, shall be transmitted by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant;

There shall be no enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure, not authorized by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet;

There shall be no writing or printing in or upon any such packet, or on the cover thereof, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender thereof, and a manufacturer's or trade mark, and number and price of the pattern or sample; and every such manufacturer's or trade mark, number, and price shall be written or printed on labels attached to such patterns or samples, or to the bags or boxes containing the same, and not on loose pieces of paper or other material;

All such packets shall be sent in covers open at the ends so as to be easy of examination; nevertheless, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers may be enclosed in boxes or in bags of linen, or other material which, shall be tied with a string, or otherwise fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened, but bags so closed that they cannot be readily opened, even although they

be transparent, shall not be used for that purpose;

Every such packet posted in the United Kingdom, or in Malta, shall be put into the Post Office at such hours in the day, and under all such regulations, as the Postmaster-General may appoint;

The postage of every such packet posted in the United Kingdom; or in Malta, shall in every case be paid at the time of the same being posted 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.

9. If any packet authorized to be transmitted by the post under the provisions of the 6th and 7th clauses of this Warrant be sent otherwise than in conformity with the conditions and regulations established by or under the authority of this Warrant in relation thereto, the same shall and may be detained and opened, and at the option of the Postmaster-General shall be either returned or be given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom the same shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and any such packet on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall be chargeable with any rates of postage the Postmaster-General may think fit, not exceeding the rates that would be chargeable on such packet as an unpaid letter.

10. 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, for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be despatched in due course of the post, whenever it may be necessary so to do, 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.

11. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet, or any pattern or sample contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of the 6th and 7th clauses of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive upon all parties.

12. The several terms and expressions used in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th clauses of this Warrant, shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as the like terms and expressions used in the said recited Warrant, unless the contrary shall be made to appear by the context. And the several other 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, chapter 96.

13. 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, revoke, or modify any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

14. This Warrant shall come into operation on

the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Luke White.

E. H. Knatchbull-Hugessen.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL PIRATE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset House, September 25, 1865.

NOTICE is hereby given, to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of the award for services against pirates in the China Seas, between the 13th December, 1863, and the 3rd January, 1864, by Her Majesty's ship "Haughty," will commence on Friday, the 6th October, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the "Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset House."

Agents and other persons holding powers of attorney, prize orders, assignments, or other instruments, by virtue of which they may be legally entitled to claim the share of any person serving in the above-named ship, are requested to present the same at this office.

Any Officer, Seaman, Marine, or other person, who may desire to receive his share from the Collector of Customs or of Inland Revenue within the United Kingdom, is required to intimate the same by letter to be addressed "On Prize Business, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, London," (enclosing his certificate of service, or an attested copy thereof, excepting in the case of Commissioned Officers),—in which letter his own place of residence is to be precisely stated, as well as the place of the nearest Collector of Customs, or of Inland Revenue, from whom it would be convenient to receive such share of bounty money.

The following are the shares due to an individual in the several classes:—

	£	s.	d.
Lieutenant Commanding	68	8	8
Fourth class	40	17	6
Sixth class	20	8	10
Seventh class	13	12	7
Eighth class	6	16	2
Ninth class	4	10	11
Tenth class	2	5	5

LUCKNOW PRIZE MONEY.

SECOND DISTRIBUTION.

*Royal Hospital, Chelsea,
September, 1865.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that Prize Rolls for the undermentioned Corps, on account of the Second Distribution of Prize Money for the Operations and Capture of Lucknow in 1858, have been received at this Hospital; containing the names of those whose shares have been remitted to the Commissioners of this Hospital by the Government of India; and that distribution of such shares will be made at my Office, on the 4th October next, and will be