

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

2nd Lancashire Engineer Volunteer Corps.

First Lieutenant John Rothwell to be Captain.
Dated 25th April, 1868.

17th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Robert Folds to be Lieutenant. Dated 8th April, 1868.
Ensign James Fishwick to be Lieutenant. Dated 8th April, 1868.

24th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Frederick Salis Schwabe to be Captain.
Dated 28th April, 1868.

31st Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant John William Blackburne to be Captain. Dated 25th April, 1868.
Ensign Charles Edward Blackburne to be Lieutenant. Dated 25th April, 1868.
Ensign Edward Brown Lees to be Lieutenant. Dated 25th April, 1868.
Henry Whitaker, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 25th April, 1868.

2nd Manchester Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Alfred Henry Pape, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 4th April, 1868.
Edward Samuel Willing, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 4th April, 1868.
John Binns Southam, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 4th April, 1868.

3rd Manchester Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Horatio William Barber to be Captain, vice Charles Worthington Barber, resigned. Dated 23rd April, 1868.

Liverpool Irish Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign James Comyn Harker to be Lieutenant. Dated 28th April, 1868.

65th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Robert Jamblin to be Lieutenant. Dated 30th March, 1868.
Henry Magee Ormsby, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Jamblin, promoted. Dated 30th March, 1868.

MEMORANDA.

Her Majesty has signified Her pleasure that Captain William Dixon, of the 2nd Royal Tower Hamlets Militia, be displaced. Dated 2nd April, 1868.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Captain Sir James L. Cotter, Bart., in the 2nd Royal Tower Hamlets Militia, and in consideration of his long services to approve of his retaining his rank on retirement and the right of wearing the uniform of the Corps. Dated 1st May, 1868.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets.

1st Royal Tower Hamlets (King's Own Light Infantry) Militia.

Richard Halkett Lord, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 28th April, 1868.

2nd Royal Tower Hamlets (Queen's Own Light Infantry) Militia.

Lieutenant William Ingram Marter to be Captain, vice Dixon, displaced. Dated 23rd April, 1868.
William Warner Dennis, Esq., to be Captain, vice Cotter, resigned. Dated 1st May, 1868.

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

1st Administrative Battalion of Brecknockshire Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Conway Lloyd to be Major, vice Penry Lloyd, resigned. Dated 5th May, 1868.

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

1st Lincolnshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.

First Lieutenant William Caister to be Captain, vice White, resigned. Dated 22nd April, 1868.
Second Lieutenant Henry Morton to be First Lieutenant, vice Small, resigned. Dated 22nd April, 1868.
William Sergeant to be First Lieutenant, vice Reynolds, promoted. Dated 22nd April, 1868.
Thomas Small to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Adam, resigned. Dated 22nd April, 1868.

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

South Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign John Furtado to be Captain, vice Bromley, resigned. Dated 16th March, 1868.

49th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

John Clegg to be Honorary Assistant-Quartermaster. Dated 30th March, 1868.

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

4th Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

James Abercromby King, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Reid, promoted. Dated 7th May, 1868.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, 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 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 whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present 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 to alter the rates of British postage now payable upon certain letters in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers vested in us in and by the said recited Acts, and each 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. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in the East Indies, China, Australia, or New Zealand, addressed to Egypt, or posted in Egypt, addressed to the East Indies, China, Australia, or New Zealand, and transmitted by British packet boat between any port in the East Indies, China, Australia, or New Zealand, and Egypt, without passing through the United Kingdom, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of British postage of sixpence.

2. On every letter so transmitted as hereinbefore mentioned, exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid the several further and additional and progressive rates of British postage, according to the scale of weight and number of rates hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

On every such letter exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such letter, if exceeding one ounce, and not exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce in weight, three rates of postage;

And on every such letter, if exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage;

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

3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed in anywise to annul prejudice or affect any of the exemptions or privileges granted by the said first hereinbefore recited Act, or to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the privileges to which officers, seamen, and soldiers employed in Her Majesty's service are now by law entitled of sending and receiving letters by the post, subject to the regulations and restrictions made and in force for the time being in respect of the same.

4. The term "East Indies" used in this Warrant shall be construed to mean every port or place in Her Majesty's dominions in Asia (except Australia and New Zealand), 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 first hereinbefore recited Act.

5. The rates of British postage fixed by this present Warrant on the letters transmitted as herein mentioned, shall be in lieu of those now chargeable thereon.

6. 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 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 which may be payable are to be paid.

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

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

G. G. Montgomery.
Gerard Noel.

Whitehall, May 5, 1868.

The Alresford Industrial School for Girls at Old Alresford, in the county of Hants, has been certified by the Secretary of State as fit to be an Industrial School under the provisions of "The Industrial Schools' Act, 1866."

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given that—

3699. Thomas Robertshaw and Jonas Robertshaw, of Ovenden, near Halifax, in the county of York, Spinners and Manufacturers, and James Greenwood, of the same place, Overlooker, have given notice at the Office of the Commissioners of their intention to proceed with their application for letters patent for the invention of "improvements in looms for weaving."

As set forth in their petition, recorded in the said office on the 30th day of December, 1867.

3713. And Victor Leon Daguzan, 2, Rue Sainte Appoline, Paris (Empire of France), Painter, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the construction of paving."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 31st day of December, 1867.

4. And George Archibald Dinely Goodyar, of Osborne-villas, Windsor, in the county of Berks, Esquire, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the method of, and machinery for propelling boats or vessels."

5. And William Stroudley, of Inverness, Scotland, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in rerailing or replacing carriages or waggons on rails of railways."

9. And Robert Wilson Morrell and Phineas Craven, of Bradford, in the county of York, have given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in machinery or apparatus for spinning and doubling fibrous substances."

11. And John Imray, of 190, Westminster-bridge-road, in the county of Surrey, Engineer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in locomotion."

12. And Charles William May, Manufacturer, of 13, Rue Gaillon, Paris, in the Empire of France, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of metallic cartridges."

As set forth in their respective petitions, all recorded in the said office on the 1st day of January, 1868.