

Admiralty, 8th October, 1868,

Commander Walter James Pollard has this day been promoted to be a Retired Captain, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 1st August, 1860, 9th July, 1864, and 24th March, 1866.

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

London Rifle Volunteer Brigade.

Lieutenant James Miller to be Captain. Dated 16th September, 1868.

Lieutenant John Ellerton Pawson to be Captain. Dated 16th September, 1868.

3rd London Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Thomas George Cooper to be Ensign. Dated 16th September, 1868.

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

3rd Middlesex Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Second Lieutenant William Hamilton Taylor to be First Lieutenant. Dated 9th September, 1868.

38th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Charles Edward Perugini to be Lieutenant, vice Palmer, promoted. Dated 11th August, 1868.

Ensign Robert William Edis to be Lieutenant, vice Nicholson, resigned. Dated 11th August, 1868.

49th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Hugh Alfred Cotton to be Lieutenant. Dated 18th September, 1868.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets.

2nd Tower Hamlets Engineer Volunteer Corps.

Thomas Ross Comyn to be Major. Dated 3rd October, 1868.

John Frederick Brinjes to be Captain. Dated 3rd October, 1868.

Lionel Benjamin Cohen to be Captain. Dated 3rd October, 1868.

Henry Moreton Appleton to be First Lieutenant. Dated 3rd October, 1868.

MEMORANDA.

The 1st Tower Hamlets Engineer Volunteer Corps having been struck off the records of the War Office will henceforth cease to hold any number or designation in the Volunteer Force of Great Britain. Dated 23rd September, 1868.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the 2nd Tower Hamlets Engineer Volunteer Corps bearing the title or designation of the "East London Engineer Volunteer Corps." Dated 3rd October, 1868.

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

4th Bedfordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

John Merrifield, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Hicks, resigned. Dated 30th September, 1868.

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

1st Administrative Battalion of Carnarvonshire Rifle Volunteers.

Edward Windus Mathew, Captain 4th Carnarvonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps, to be Major, vice Douglas Pennant, resigned. Dated 3rd October, 1868.

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

1st Somersetshire Engineer Volunteer Corps.

George Edward D'Arcy Adams, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 6th October, 1868.

27th Somersetshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Evan Henry Llewellyn, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Coathupe, resigned. Dated 6th October, 1868.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Surgeon James Louttit, M.D., in the Durham Artillery Militia. Dated 24th September, 1868.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS certain powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury 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, and by another Act of Parliament 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 by a certain Warrant under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 21st day of July, 1857, and by divers other Warrants in writing, under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury since respectively made for regulating the duties of postage and the transmission by the post of packets consisting of books, publications, and works of literature and art between the United Kingdom and certain of Her Majesty's colonies, and also between certain of Her Majesty's colonies therein respectively mentioned, and also by a certain other Warrant, under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and bearing date, at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 16th day of October, 1857, and by divers other Warrants, in writing, under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, since respectively made for regulating the duties of postage and the transmission by the post of packets consisting of books, publications, and works of literature and art, between places within the United Kingdom, it was, amongst other things, ordered, directed, and declared that the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art" in those Warrants, or in certain other Warrants thereby referred to, respectively used, should, for the purposes of those Warrants respectively, mean and comprise all such articles as in their general character were either literary or

consisted 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 thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, paper, parchment, or vellum or necessary for its safe transmission which should be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it should belong.

And whereas it is expedient to make further regulations with regard to certain of the matters transmissible by the post under the privileges so given in and by the said several hereinbefore recited Warrants in manner hereinafter appearing.

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, or one 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. In all cases where packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, may be transmitted by the post under the authority of any of such last-mentioned Warrants, whether the same be transmitted between the United Kingdom and any of Her Majesty's colonies, or between any of Her Majesty's colonies, or between any places within the United Kingdom, comprising prints or printed or written matter, such prints or printed or written matter shall consist only of prints or printed or written matter on paper, parchment, or vellum, and shall not comprise any prints or printed or written matter on leather, cloth, canvas, or linen, or any other substance whatsoever, except printed books or publications commonly called 'indestructible,' or artistic prints, maps, architectural drawings, plans, or tracings (whether printed or written), upon canvas or cloth.

2. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any article, matter, or thing transmitted by the post, under or by virtue of the said several Warrants hereinbefore mentioned, or under or by virtue of this present Warrant, is entitled to the book post privilege, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning of the said several last-mentioned Warrants, or of this present Warrant, or any or either of them, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive upon all parties.

3. The clauses numbered 1 and 2 of this present Warrant are in substitution for the clauses numbered 2 and 3 of a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 8th day of January, 1863, which last-mentioned clauses are hereby repealed.

4. 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 the Orders, regulations, and directions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other regulations, orders, directions, and conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

This Warrant shall come into operation on the twelfth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

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

Henry Whitmore.
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Whitehall, August 14, 1868.

The Right Honourable Sir William Bovill, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Richard Mitchell, of Burnley, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Lancaster.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 92.)—ENGLAND—SOUTH COAST.

Wreck in Fairway of Eastern Channel to Spithead.

NOTICE is hereby given of the sitting of an iron screw steamer in the fairway of the eastern channel leading to Spithead, on the 28th September. The wreck lies in about 6½ fathoms at low water spring tides, with the following marks.

The Spit fort once and a-half its apparent breadth open westward of the Horse fort, bearing N. by W. ½ W.

Ashley Down tower open to the northward of St. Helen's Fort, nearly twice the apparent breadth of the fort, bearing W ½ N.

Culver cliff in line with the highest cluster of trees on Bembridge point, bearing S.W. by W ½ W.

Clearing Marks.—Culver cliff in line with Bembridge point clears the wreck to the S.E.; and the Spit and Horse Forts in line clears the wreck to the N.E.

The masts and yards are still standing. A wreck buoy (green) is placed on the east side of the wreck.

[All bearings are magnetic. Variation 27° 40' Westerly in 1868.]

By command of their Lordships,
Geo. Henry Richards, Hydrographer.
Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
2nd October, 1868.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Owers to Christchurch, No. 2045; and Portland to Beachy Head, No. 2451.