

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

1st Administrative Brigade of Cornwall Artillery Volunteers.

Henry Grenfell to be Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 26th October, 1868.

2nd Cornwall Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Second Lieutenant George Kerswell to be First Lieutenant, vice Bishop, resigned. Dated 28th December, 1867.

Reginald Peter to be Second Lieutenant, vice Kerswell, promoted. Dated 21st December, 1868.

7th Cornwall Artillery Volunteer Corps.

William Smith, jun., to be Captain, vice Hinks, resigned. Dated 17th December, 1868.

15th Cornwall Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign George Henry Eustice to be Lieutenant, vice Daniel, resigned. Dated 28th March, 1868.

William Huthnance to be Ensign, vice Eustice, promoted. Dated 28th March, 1868.

20th Cornwall Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Richard Boyns to be Lieutenant. Dated 22nd November, 1864.

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

South Herts Yeomanry Cavalry.

Sir George Rendlesham Prescott, Bart., 2nd Life Guards, to be Captain, vice Christie, resigned. Dated 18th December, 1868.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, and of the City and County of the City of Canterbury.

12th Kent Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Second Lieutenant Thomas Winch to be First Lieutenant, vice James Winch, resigned. Dated 22nd December, 1868.

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

2nd Inverness-shire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Daniel McLeish to be Lieutenant, vice McGregor, deceased. Dated 18th December, 1868.

Allan Ritchie Affleck to be Ensign, vice McLeish, promoted. Dated 18th December, 1868.

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

South Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign John Alexander Spencer to be Lieutenant. Dated 16th December, 1868.

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

1st Renfrewshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Second Lieutenant Walter Baine Grieve to be First Lieutenant. Dated 23rd December, 1868. Robert Thorne, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, vice Grieve, promoted. Dated 23rd December, 1868.

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

Suffolk Artillery Regiment of Militia.

Henry Smith, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 17th December, 1868.

4th Suffolk Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Robert Suckling, Clerk, to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 18th December, 1868.

[The following Appointment is substituted for that which appeared in the Gazette of the 15th instant.]

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

3rd Cambridgeshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

John George Kinloch to be Captain, vice Tomlinson, resigned. Dated 20th November, 1868.

[The following Appointments are substituted for those which appeared in the Gazette of the 22nd instant.]

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

3rd Forfarshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Henry Paterson to be Captain, vice Corsar, promoted. Dated 17th December, 1868.

William Paterson Dowall, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Paterson, promoted. Dated 17th December, 1868.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter ninety-six, 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 whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act, made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter eighty-five, 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, made and passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter twenty-

seven, for amending the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and for providing for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications.

And whereas a Convention hath been lately made and concluded between the General Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the General Post Office of the Swiss Confederation, for the purpose of regulating the communications by post between the United Kingdom and Switzerland, and it is expedient, for the better carrying out of the same, that certain regulations should be made in the 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 hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament respectively, and all and every, or some 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, declare, and direct as follows; that is to say:—

1. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Switzerland, or posted in Switzerland addressed to the United Kingdom, and transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any place in Switzerland, the said respective letters being conveyed in a closed mail, *viâ* Belgium and Germany, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of three pence, if such respective letters be prepaid, and if such respective letters be not prepaid, an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of sixpence.

2. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in the United Kingdom addressed to any foreign country, or posted in any foreign country addressed to the United Kingdom, and transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any such foreign country, *viâ* Belgium, Germany, and Switzerland, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, an uniform rate of British postage of one penny, if such respective letters be prepaid, and if such respective letters be not prepaid, an uniform rate of British postage of twopence.

3. On every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in Switzerland addressed to any of Her Majesty's colonies, or any foreign country, or posted in any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country addressed to Switzerland, transmitted by the post between Switzerland and any of Her Majesty's colonies or any foreign country, *viâ* Germany and Belgium, through the United Kingdom, otherwise than in closed mails, there shall be charged, taken, and paid for such transmission thereof through the United Kingdom an uniform rate of British postage of one penny. And also for the conveyance of every such letter between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or vessel (not being a packet boat) conveying the same, and the colony or foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, such a further or additional rate of British postage as shall from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or vessel (not being a packet-boat) conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and any such colony or foreign country: Provided that in all cases where such additional

rate includes both inland and sea services there shall be deducted therefrom the sum of one penny, in respect of the inland conveyance under this clause of every such letter sent through the United Kingdom.

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

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one half of an ounce in weight and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one ounce and not exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce in weight, three rates of postage.

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding one ounce and the half of another ounce and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding two ounces and not exceeding two ounces and the half of another ounce in weight, five rates of postage.

On every such letter so transmitted, exceeding two ounces and the half of another ounce and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

And for every half of an ounce in weight of any such letter above the weight of three ounces, there shall be charged, taken, and paid one additional rate of postage, and in charging any additional rate of postage every fractional part of such additional half of an ounce shall be charged as an additional half of an ounce in weight, and each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause 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.

5. If any letter transmitted by the post, under the authority of this Warrant, shall be posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, or shall be posted in Switzerland, addressed to the United Kingdom, and the postage stamp or stamps affixed thereto, shall represent a less amount than the rate or rates of postage to which the same would be liable under or by virtue of this Warrant, if prepaid, every such letter shall be charged with postage as an unpaid letter, and the amount of such postage paid thereon, or stamp or stamps affixed thereto, shall be allowed and deducted in charging such postage thereon.

6. Nothing herein contained shall be construed in anywise to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions or privileges granted by the said firstly hereinbefore recited Act, or to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the privileges which officers, seamen, soldiers, and others employed in Her Majesty's service are now by law entitled to, of sending and receiving by the post letters not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, subject to the regulations and restrictions made and in force for the time being in respect of the same.

7. Registered letters may be transmitted by the post, under the authority of this Warrant, upon the payment of such additional charges or rates of postage, or otherwise, as the Postmaster-General may, from time to time, direct or appoint in that behalf, provided that all rates of postage

and additional charges or rates, from time to time payable thereupon, shall be prepaid, and that no payment shall be made thereupon on the delivery of any such registered letters.

8. On every packet consisting of a printed British newspaper, not exceeding four ounces in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, and transmitted by the post from any part of the United Kingdom to any place in Switzerland, the said respective packets being conveyed via Belgium and Germany, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of two pence; and in respect of every additional four ounces, or fraction of four ounces, of any such packet, above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an additional rate of postage of two pence; and every such packet shall be transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto.

9. All packets consisting of printed papers other than British newspapers, or consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize of no intrinsic value, not exceeding one ounce in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Switzerland, and transmitted by the post from any part of the United Kingdom to any place in Switzerland, the said respective packets being conveyed in a closed mail, via Belgium and Germany, may be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations and conditions hereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto; and there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for the transmission of every such packet, an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of one penny.

10. All packets transmitted respectively under the authority of the 9th clause of this Warrant, shall, if exceeding the weight of one ounce respectively, be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

On every such packet so transmitted, if exceeding one ounce in weight, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid two rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding two ounces and not exceeding four ounces in weight, three rates of postage;

And on every such packet, if exceeding four ounces and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, six rates of postage;

And for every additional four ounces in weight of any such packet above the weight of eight ounces, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, three additional rates of postage, and in charging any additional rates of postage, every fractional part of every additional four ounces shall be charged as an additional four ounces 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 one ounce in weight.

11. All packets consisting of printed newspapers or other printed papers or consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize of no intrinsic value not exceeding two ounces in weight posted in any of Her Majesty's Colonies addressed to Switzerland, may be transmitted by the post from any of Her Majesty's Colonies to any place in Switzerland, via the United Kingdom, Belgium, and Germany in conformity with and under and

subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions hereinafter mentioned and contained relating thereto, and there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for the transmission of every such packet an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of three pence.

12. All packets transmitted respectively under the authority of the 11th clause of this Warrant shall if exceeding the weight of two ounces respectively be subject to the several further and additional and progressive rates of postage hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

On every such packet so transmitted 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 eight ounces in weight, four rates of postage;

And on every such packet if exceeding eight ounces, and not exceeding sixteen ounces in weight, eight rates of postage;

And for every additional eight ounces in weight of any such packet above the weight of sixteen ounces there shall be charged, taken, and paid four additional rates of postage, and every fractional part of such additional eight ounces in weight shall be charged as an additional eight ounces 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.

13. As to all packets hereinbefore in the 8th, 9th, and 10th clauses of this Warrant, authorised to be sent by the post, 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 thereupon, under or by virtue of this Warrant (unless any such packet be sent from any department or office in or connected with the public service of Her Majesty, which shall have a postage account with the General Post Office in London, in which case the same shall be forwarded post paid, and the postage thereof shall be charged in such postage account), and if any such packet shall be posted without any postage having been paid thereon, or if any packet hereinbefore in the 8th clause of this Warrant mentioned, shall be posted with a postage paid thereon, which shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under or by virtue of this Warrant, every such respective packet shall and may be detained and opened, and shall be returned or given up to the sender thereof; and 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 an unpaid letter. But if any such packet (except any packet hereinbefore in the 8th clause of this Warrant mentioned), shall be posted with a postage paid thereon, which shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under or by virtue of this Warrant, every such packet shall be chargeable and shall be treated in all respects as a letter.

14. For the purposes of this Warrant, every printed newspaper transmitted by the post under

the 8th clause of 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 respectively mentioned, notwithstanding two or more newspapers shall be inclosed 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 such 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.

15. Every packet transmitted by the post under the provisions of the 8th, 9th, 10th 11th, and 12th clauses of this Warrant, except packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize, shall be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions following, that is to say:—

Every British newspaper shall be printed and published at intervals not exceeding thirty-one days between any two consecutive numbers or parts of such publication, and the same shall be registered at the General Post Office in London, and shall be posted within fifteen days from the date of its publication, and the title and date of the newspaper shall be printed at the top of every page thereof.

Every packet shall be 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 authorized by this Warrant, sent in or with any such packet, nor shall there be any word or communication printed on the contents of any such packet after the publication thereof, nor any writing, figures, or marks upon any such contents, or the cover thereof, not authorized by this Warrant, except the name and address of the person to whom the same is sent, but the name or title of any newspaper, and the name and address of the publisher, news-vendor, or agent by whom the same is sent, may be printed on the cover thereof, and any packet of printed papers, other than a printed newspaper, may have any matter or thing printed on the cover thereof.

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

Every packet transmitted by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be put into the Post Office at such hours in the day and under all such regulations as the Post-master-General may appoint.

16. The term "printed papers," when used in this Warrant, shall, for the purpose of transmission thereof by the post, under the provisions of this Warrant, mean, comprise, and include periodical works, pamphlets, bound books, corrected proof-sheets, manuscripts relating to such proof-sheets and accompanying them, commercial

documents, music, catalogues, prospectuses, engravings, lithographs, autographs, photographs, advices, printed or lithographed circulars, prices current, visiting cards, maps, and in general all other manuscripts not having the character of a personal correspondence; but no packet, consisting of or containing any photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents which may be obviously of an obscene character, shall be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant.

17. Every packet consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize transmitted by the post under the provisions of this Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under and subject to, the several orders, directions, regulations, and conditions following; that is to say:—

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

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

No such pattern or sample of merchandize shall be of any intrinsic value, and no article so transmitted shall be of a saleable nature or such as has any mercantile value, either by reason of its quality or its quantity, or of which any use might be made, otherwise than as a pattern or sample of merchandize;

There shall be no writing or printing upon any such packet or the cover thereof, or contained therein, 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, paper, or other material, which shall be tied with a string or otherwise fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened, and closed bags, if transparent, may be used for this purpose.

No article which might injure the contents of the mail bags, or the persons of the officers of the Post Office shall be transmitted by the post under the authority of this Warrant; nevertheless, any packet containing any razor, scissors, knife, fork, or other sharp or pointed instrument shall and may (notwithstanding anything in a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 28th day of November, 1844, contained to the contrary), be transmitted by the post under the authority of the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th clauses of this Warrant, subject to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein mentioned and contained relating thereto, provided that every such article or instrument so contained in any such packet shall be securely packed and guarded, and every such packet shall not only conform in every respect to the several orders, directions, regulations, and restrictions herein contained, but the same shall also

furnish sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post Office, and to the content of the mail bags, while at the same time the patterns or samples may be easily examined.

18. No packet shall be forwarded by the post, under the provisions of the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th clauses of this Warrant, in regard to which the several orders, directions, regulations, restrictions, and conditions hereinbefore in the 15th and 17th clauses of this Warrant respectively contained relating to the same, shall not be complied with in all respects.

19. In order to prevent any obstacle 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.

20. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise, whether any packet or anything contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue 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 on all parties.

21. The several rates of postage fixed by this present Warrant on the letters and packets transmitted by the post as herein respectively mentioned, shall be in lieu of those now chargeable by law thereon.

22. 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 firstly hereinbefore recited Act.

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

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

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

Henry Whitmore.
G. G. Montgomery.

TREASURY MINUTE,

Dated November 30, 1868,

RELATING TO BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY OF MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE.

THE attention of this Board has been frequently given to cases of bankruptcy and insolvency on the part of persons holding offices in the public service, and likewise to a practice which has been found to prevail, to some extent, amongst Clerks

and others, of putting their names on what are called accommodation bills, and then getting themselves involved in the pecuniary difficulties of others.

My Lords have reason to believe that there are persons, discounters of bills, who, taking advantage of the inexperience of young men usually when they first enter into the public service, and inducing them to put their names on bills, supply them with money at exorbitant rates of interest, in expectation that by threats of the exposure and consequent dismissal of these young men, their parents or other relatives may be induced to discharge these exorbitant demands.

It has been the anxious desire of every Department in the State of late years, and Parliament has liberally co-operated, to raise the Civil Servants of the Crown in efficiency and general estimation; but it is obvious that all efforts on the part of Government or the heads of Departments to raise the standard of the Civil Service, must be to a great extent unsuccessful so long as members of the Service thus allow themselves to be involved in pecuniary difficulties, and to become the victims of usurious money lenders.

It is unnecessary for my Lords to point out that this pernicious practice must be destructive of those feelings of honour and independence which my Lords are happy to state are, and their Lordships trust will be always, characteristic of all classes of Her Majesty's Civil Servants. The young man who puts his name upon a bill for a sum of money, suffering a discount which sometimes amounts, as my Lords are informed, to 50 or even 60 per cent., must necessarily lose all feelings of independence and self-respect; he becomes the miserable dependant of the usurer who has ministered to his extravagance; his course must be downwards, and he too frequently resorts to the meanness of an untruth, in the hope of concealing his indiscretion or extravagance.

Very painful instances have occurred, in which, from these causes, my Lords have been obliged to dismiss from the Civil Service of Her Majesty, gentlemen whose abilities and attainments might have raised them to high positions.

But the practices referred to lead to further and serious public inconveniences; not only does the general character of the service suffer materially, but the value of the individual officer is necessarily deteriorated by the position in which he is placed in consequence of such improvident habits. As observed in a Minute of the Board of Stamps and Taxes, dated the 23rd of June, 1842, "an efficient performance of his official duty is not to be expected from any person involved in pecuniary difficulties, as the time and the thoughts of such a person, instead of being engaged in his official business, must necessarily be occupied in constant efforts to meet the exigencies of the day: and further, it is highly inexpedient that any officer in such circumstances should be placed in a position of trust."

Not unfrequently the pecuniary embarrassment of an employé in the public service is the cause of absence from his duties, either with the view of avoiding the importunity of his creditors or of obtaining protection under the Bankruptcy Act. And where such protection is accorded, independently of the inconvenience and discredit to the service, as is well observed in a Minute of the Board of Customs of 9th April, 1846, "the officer is placed by this course in a very difficult position, as it generally happens that upon the final discharge of the party, the Court orders a portion of his salary to be appropriated to the liquidation of his debts, varying in amount according to the cir-