105th Foot, Gentleman Cadet John Huntley Gordon, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, vice Ferrier, promoted. Dated 18th August, 1869.

107th Foot, Ensign Henry William Allen to be Lieutenant, vice John Jordan, whose services have been dispensed with, Her Majesty having no further occasion for them. Dated 18th August, 1869.

Gentleman Cadet Frederick Osborne Mellows Maycock, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, vice Allen, promoted. Dated 18th

August, 1869.

Medical Department, Assistant-Surgeon Francis Patrick Staples, from the 19th Foot, to be Staff Assistant-Surgeon, vice George Ryan, appointed to the 19th Foot. Dated 18th August, 1869.

Staff Assistant-Surgeon Joseph Septimus Steward has been permitted to resign his Commission. Dated 8th July, 1869.

Veterinary Department, Veterinary-Surgeon J. G. Bushman, 21st Hussars, to be Veterinary-Surgeons of the First Class. Dated 18th August, 1869.

Veterinary-Surgeon J. Ferris, Royal Artillery, to be Veterinary-Surgeon of the First Class.

Dated 18th August, 1869.

Purveyor's Department, Purveyor James Holmes to be Principal Purveyor, vice Thomas O. Hagger, who retires upon temporary half-pay. Dated 18th August, 1869.

BREVET.

Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable William H. A. Feilding, Coldstream Guards, having completed the qualifying service with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel to be Colonel, under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 3rd February, 1866. Dated 28th July, 1869.

Captain Charles L. A. Farmar, who has retired upon full-pay, Royal Marines, to have the honorary rank of Major under the provisions of the Order in Council of the 13th November, 1858. Dated 18th August, 1869.

The undermentioned officers to have the local rank of Major while serving in Persia:-

Captain A. C. Way, Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 18th August, 1869.

Captain S. A. Smith, Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 18th August, 1869.

Admiralty, 13th August, 1869.

In consequence of the death of Rear-Admiral George Henry Seymour,—

Rear-Admiral Sir William Hutcheon Hall, K.C.B., on the Retired List, has been promoted to the rank of Vice-Admiral, from the 26th July last; and

The undermentioned Retired Captains have been promoted to the rank of Retired Rear-Admirals, from the 26th July last:—

Right Honourable Lord William Compton. Henry Richard Foote.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Durham.

3rd Durham Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Edward Temperley Gourley to be Honorary Colonel. Dated 10th July, 1869.

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

15th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Reginald Pearson Thacker, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 26th July, 1869.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Chester, and County of the City of Chester.

1st Cheshire Engineer Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Samuel Stitt to be Captain, vice Duncan, resigned. Dated 2nd August, 1869.

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

3rd Middlesex Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Edmund Charles Brown to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 1st July, 1869.

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

2nd Northumberland Artillery Volunteer Corps.

First Lieutenant David Logan to be Captain, vice Fawdon, resigned. Dated 6th August, 1869.

8th Northumberland Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Thomas Crawford to be Captain, vice Lawrence, resigned. Dated 6th August, 1869. Arthur Lionel Anthony Woods to be Lieutenant, vice Crawford, promoted. Dated 6th August, 1869.

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

North Somerset Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry. Conrad William Curling Finzel, Gent., late Cornet Scots Greys, to be Lieutenant, vice Mynors, resigned. Dated 14th August, 1869.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the East Riding of the County of York, and the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull.

1st Administrative Brigade of East Riding of Yorkshire Artillery Volunteers.

The Honourable Digby W. B. Willoughby, late Lieutenant and Captain Scots Fusilier Guards, to be Major, vice Fife, resigned. Dated 30th July, 1869.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Captain H. J. Cowan Graham Bonar in the Fife Artillery Militia, and in consideration of his service to approve of his being granted a step of honorary, rank on retirement and permitted to wear the uniform of the Regiment. Dated 4th August, 1869.

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, 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 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 whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by another Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the tenth and eleventh years 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 it is expedient to reduce the rates of postage now chargeable on certain letters transmitted by the post from Cuba and Porto Rico to Spain, the Balearic and Canary Islands, 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 respectively, 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, declare, and direct as follows; that is to say:—

1. On every letter not exceeding one quarter of an ounce in weight posted in Cuba or Porto Rico, addressed to Spain or the Balearic or Canary Islands, and transmitted by the post from Cuba or Porto Rico to Spain or the Balearic or Canary Islands through the United Kingdom, the sea conveyance from Cuba or Porto Rico to the United Kingdom being by British packet boat, and the sea conveyance from the United Kingdom to Spain or the Balearic or Canary Islands being either via France or direct by British or Spanish packet boat, there shall be charged, taken, and paid an uniform rate of postage (British and foreign combined) of ten pence.

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

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

And on every such letter exceeding one half of an ounce, and not exceeding three quarters of an ounce in weight, three rates of postage;

And on every such letter exceeding three quarters of an ounce, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, four rates of postage;

And for every additional quarter of an ounce in weight of any such letter above the weight of one ounce there shall be charged, taken, and paid one additional rate of postage, and every fractional part of such additional quarter of an ounce in weight shall be charged as an additional quarter 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 quarter 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 or under either of the hereinbefore recited Acts, or by or under any other Acts of Parliament relating to the Post Office, or to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the privileges to which officers, seamen, soldiers, and others employed in Her Majesty's Service, are 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 several rates of postage fixed by this present Warrant, on the letters transmitted by the post as herein respectively mentioned, shall be in lieu of those now chargeable thereon, under or by virtue of a certain Warrant of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date the 6th day of September, 1858, which last-mentioned rates are hereby repealed, revoked, and annulled.

5. 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.

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 and may make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and may from time to time 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 October, one thousand eight

hundred and sixty-nine.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

James Stansfeld, Jr. Lansdowne.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Act of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and eleven, section five, do hereby, grant and convey to the Incumbent of the vicarage of Saint James, Curtain-road, Shoreditch, in the county of Middlesex, and in the diocese of London, and to his successors, Incumbents of the same vicarage, all that piece or parcel of land and hereditaments with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, which is particularly described in the schedule hereunto annexed, and is now vested in us, to have and to hold the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments, with the appurtenances, to the use of the said Incumbent and his successors for ever.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our common seal, this fifth day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

(L.S.)

Schedule.

All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Curtain-road, Shoreditch, in the county of Middlesex, formerly the site of the houses known as Nos. 21 and 23, in the Curtain-road aforesaid, and adjoining the church of Saint James, Curtain-road, which said piece or parcel of land is delineated on the plan hereunto annexed, and is thereon colored pink.