

Ernest A. Berger, the Lincolnshire Regiment.
Dated 18th June, 1885.

Major and Honorary Colonel Sir Francis John Bolton, Knt., retired, late 12th Foot, has been allowed to commute his retired pay. Dated 29th May, 1885.

Captain and Honorary Major Henry Edwin Gower, retired pay, has retired from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 14th April, 1885.

Riding-Master Frederick Eaton, 8th Hussars, has been granted the honorary and relative rank of Captain. Dated 12th May, 1885.

INDIAN STAFF CORPS.

To be transferred to the Unemployed Supernumerary List. Dated 31st May, 1885:—
Major-General Augustus Ritherdon, Madras.
Colonel George Crommelin Hankin, Bengal.

To be Major-General.

Colonel Thomas Nuttall, Bombay. Dated 31st May, 1885.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Lieutenants resign their Commissions. Dated 17th June, 1885:—

Thomas M. Ferns, Captain, 4th Volunteer Battalion the Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment).

George C. Thorne-George, Captain, 4th Battalion, the Gloucestershire Regiment.

Charles H. M. Walker-Mylne.

Captain Charles J. L. Courtenay, 2nd Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps, to be Lieutenant. Dated 17th June, 1885.

Whitehall, June 15, 1885.

35 and 36 Victoria, cap. 76, 35 and 36 Victoria, cap. 77, and 38 and 39 Victoria, cap. 39.

THE Right Honourable Sir William Vernon Harcourt, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed James Prosser Jones, Esq., to be an Inspector for the purposes of "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872," and "The Metalliferous Mines Regulation Acts, 1872 and 1875."

Mr. Jones' appointment bears date the 15th June, 1885.

Whitehall, June 13, 1885.

THE Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that he has certified the Girls' Home, Mount View, the Mumbles, Swansea, as fitted to be an Industrial School for the reception of children (not exceeding twenty in number); under the provisions of "The Industrial Schools Act, 1866," and "The Industrial Schools Amendment Act, 1880."

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS a Convention has been lately entered into between the Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom and the Postal Administration of Egypt with the approval of their respective Governments for the establishment of a Parcel Post between those countries, and it is expedient for the due carrying out of the same that the rates of postage and other sums to be charged in respect of Parcels posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Egypt should be fixed as hereinafter appears, and that such Parcels, and parcels posted in Egypt addressed to the United Kingdom, should be posted, forwarded, conveyed

and delivered subject to the regulations, conditions, prohibitions, and restrictions hereinafter appearing:

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Acts relating to Her Majesty's Post Office, and in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

Interpretation Clause.

1.—(1.) The expressions "Parcels" and "Parcel" in this Warrant respectively mean any postal packet, which is posted or tendered for transmission by post as a parcel, in accordance with the provisions of this Warrant, or any Warrant amending the same, in the United Kingdom, addressed to Egypt, or posted or tendered for transmission by post as aforesaid in Egypt addressed to the United Kingdom.

(2.) The expression "United Kingdom" includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

(3.) The expression "Lord-Lieutenant" means the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being.

(4.) The expression "arms" includes any cannon, gun, revolver, pistol, and any description of fire-arms, also any sword, cutlass, pike, and bayonet, also any part of any arms as so defined.

(5.) The expression "ammunition" includes bullets, gunpowder, nitro-glycerine, dynamite, gun cotton, and every other explosive substance whether fitted for use with any arms or otherwise.

(6.) The expression "prohibited district in Ireland" means any place in Ireland in respect of which the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, by and with the advice of the Privy Council in Ireland, may have made or may make orders for prohibiting or regulating therein the sale or importation of arms and ammunition.

Maximum Dimensions and Weight.

2. There shall not be conveyed or tendered for conveyance by post under this Warrant from the United Kingdom any Parcel the dimensions of which shall exceed in length three feet six inches, or in length and girth measured together six feet (such girth being measured round the thickest part of such Parcel), or which shall exceed in weight seven pounds.

Rates of Postage.

3. On all Parcels transmitted by post from the United Kingdom under this Warrant there shall be charged and paid the following rates of postage (that is to say):—

On every Parcel not exceeding two pounds in weight, one shilling and three pence.

On every Parcel exceeding two pounds and not exceeding seven pounds in weight for the first two pounds, one shilling and three pence; and for every additional pound or fraction of a pound in weight, seven pence halfpenny.

Prepayment.

4. The postage on Parcels posted in the United Kingdom shall in all cases (except as otherwise provided in this Warrant) be prepaid at the time of posting, by means of adhesive postage stamps.

Times of Posting.

5. Parcels intended to be transmitted by post may, in the United Kingdom, be posted on any day of the week except Sunday, but shall not be posted on Sundays, or in England or Ireland, on Christmas Day or Good Friday, and in

Scotland on either of the two Sacramental Fast Days, except in the cases next hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

Where the delivery of Parcels on Sundays or any of the other days aforesaid, at certain Post Offices, to addressees calling for the same, may hereafter be specially authorized by the Postmaster-General, the posting of Parcels on Sundays, or such other days as aforesaid, at such offices respectively, shall also be permitted within such times and in such manner as may be directed by the Postmaster-General.

Mode of Posting.

6. Except as otherwise provided in this Warrant, all Parcels shall, in the United Kingdom, be posted by being handed in at a Post Office in the manner hereinafter provided, within the hours during which such office shall be open to the public for the posting of Parcels.

Posting at Post Offices.

7. The following provisions shall apply to the posting of Parcels at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, that is to say:—

- (1.) It shall be the duty of the person bringing a Parcel to hand it to an officer on duty at the counter in such office.
- (2.) Such Parcel must be accompanied by or have affixed to it a declaration of such kind, and stating the contents of the Parcel in such manner and form and with such other particulars as the Commissioners of Customs and the Postmaster-General may prescribe.
- (3.) Such Parcel shall be measured and weighed by such officer and (if such Parcel do not exceed the limits of measurement or weight hereinbefore mentioned) the postage thereof according to the rates hereinbefore mentioned shall be paid by means of postage stamps affixed to such Parcel, and shall be verified by such officer, and no such Parcel shall be forwarded by the post without being accompanied by or having affixed thereto such declaration, and until such Parcel has been so measured and weighed and the postage chargeable thereon shall have been properly paid: and if any such Parcel shall be left at a Post Office without being accompanied by or having affixed thereto such declaration and without being so measured and weighed and the postage chargeable thereon properly paid as aforesaid, such Parcel shall, except as hereinafter mentioned, be detained and may be returned or given up to the sender thereof or otherwise dealt with or disposed of in any manner authorized by this Warrant.

8. Any packet transmissible by Parcel Post from the United Kingdom which from any words or marks thereon, or other external evidence, appears to have been intended for transmission as a Parcel, but which has not been tendered for transmission as a Parcel, but has been posted in a Post Office Letter-box or otherwise than according to the manner hereinbefore prescribed for the posting of Parcels, may, in the discretion of the Postmaster-General, either be detained and returned or given up to the sender, or be dealt with as follows, that is to say:—

- (1.) If the said Packet is fully prepaid with the Letter or Book Packet rate of postage and otherwise conforms to the Regulations as to the Letter or Book Post, the same may be forwarded as a Letter or Book Packet (as the case may be).
- (2.) If the said Packet is not fully prepaid with the Letter or Book Packet rate of postage, the same may be forwarded to its

destination as a Parcel charged with the sum of 3*d.* in addition to all other postage payable upon such Packet as a Parcel.

Collection of Parcels.

9. The Postmaster-General may if he think fit from time to time authorize such of his officers as he may direct, to receive Parcels for the Post under such regulations and conditions as he may from time to time prescribe.

Retention of Parcels at Postes Restantes.

10. Any Parcel addressed to a Post Office in the United Kingdom "to be called for" shall if not called for, remain in such office for a period of one week after the date of the arrival of such Parcel thereat, and shall then be dealt with as provided in this Warrant.

Parcels for Places beyond limits of free Delivery.

11. If the place of address in the United Kingdom of any Parcel be beyond the limits of the free postal delivery of any town or district to which the same may be forwarded by post, such Parcel shall be detained at the nearest Post Office until an opportunity of delivering the same shall occur, or in default of any such opportunity until a period of one week shall have elapsed from the time of the receipt of the Parcel at such Post Office. Upon the expiration of such period without such Parcel having been called for such Parcel shall be dealt with as provided in this Warrant.

Parcels addressed to Ships.

12. Any Parcel addressed to a ship at any port in the United Kingdom shall if from any cause such Parcel cannot be delivered at such ship, be detained at the Post Office at such port for a period of one calendar month, and if not delivered at the expiration of that time such Parcel shall be dealt with as provided in this Warrant.

Return and Disposal of Undelivered Parcels.

13. With regard to

- (a.) Parcels which are addressed to a Post Office in the United Kingdom to be called for, or to a place in the United Kingdom beyond the limits of the free postal delivery of any town or district, or to a ship at any port of the United Kingdom, and which are not called for or delivered within the respective times in this Warrant specified in that behalf; and
- (b.) Parcels which cannot be delivered in the United Kingdom for want of a true direction, or by reason that the addressee is dead, or cannot be found, or has refused the same, or has refused to pay any charges thereon, or for any other sufficient reason.

The following provisions shall apply, that is to say:—

- (1.) The Parcel shall, as the Postmaster-General may from time to time direct, be retained at or forthwith forwarded to such place as the Postmaster-General may from time to time appoint, and may, if necessary, be there opened and examined.
- (2.) Where the name and address of the sender can be ascertained from the Parcel or the Declaration accompanying the same, notice shall be given to the sender by the Post Office of Egypt that the Parcel will in default of any claim on the part of the addressee, be given up to the sender's agent upon personal application at such place as aforesaid, or at the request of the sender will be returned to him by post in either case upon payment of such charges as are hereinafter mentioned.
- (3.) Where the name and address of the sender

cannot be ascertained from the Parcel or the Declaration accompanying the same, notice shall be publicly given (by affixing the same at such place or places, or in such other manner as the Postmaster-General may direct) and notice shall be given to the Post Office of Egypt that the Parcel will in default of any claim on the part of the addressee, and upon payment of such charges as are hereinafter mentioned, be given up upon the personal application of the sender's agent, or be returned to the sender by post.

- (4.) In any case the notice shall state that in default of the receipt by the Postmaster-General of an application for the Parcel during a period to be specified in such notice from some person who in the Postmaster-General's judgment is entitled to receive the Parcel, it will be disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may direct.
- (5.) The Postmaster-General may, in his discretion, specify in any such notice, or otherwise, the periods during which Parcels may be returned to the senders thereof, and in so doing may have regard to the nature and contents of Parcels.
- (6.) A Parcel shall not be given up or returned by post to the sender except upon payment by him of any charge for redirection or other charge to which the Parcel has become liable under the provisions of this Warrant, or of any such Regulations as are referred to in section 14 of the "Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882."
- (7.) A Parcel shall not be given up or returned by post to the sender or his agent except upon payment by him of the sum of one penny in respect of every day or part of a day during which the Parcel remains at the place appointed as aforesaid after the expiration of three calendar months from the day on which the Parcel has arrived at such place.
- (8.) Where the sender requests a Parcel to be returned to him by post, such Parcel shall not be returned to the sender except upon payment by him of a new and distinct rate of postage, according to the rates fixed by this Warrant, and all other charges to which the Parcel has become liable.
- (9.) The Postmaster-General may require proof to his satisfaction that an applicant for a Parcel is entitled to receive the same.
- (10.) Where no application is made for a Parcel within the period specified in any such notice as aforesaid, or an applicant fails to prove to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General that he is entitled to receive the Parcel, or refuses or fails to pay the charges to which the Parcel has become liable under this Warrant, the Parcel may be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may in his discretion direct or authorize.
- (11.) If at any time while a Parcel remains in the possession of the Postmaster-General it becomes offensive or injurious to any officer of the Post Office, or other person, or to other Parcels, it may forthwith be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may in his discretion direct or authorize, notwithstanding that the provisions of this Warrant as to the return of such Parcel, have not been or have only partially been complied with.

Re-direction of Parcels.

14. Any Parcel may be re-directed from its original address, or any substituted address, within

the United Kingdom; to any other address within the United Kingdom, and in every case of such re-direction there shall be charged on such Parcel in respect of each such re-direction, and paid by the addressee thereof in money upon the delivery of such Parcel, a new and distinct rate of postage, equal in amount to the rate of postage which would have been originally chargeable on such Parcel as an Inland Parcel.

Remission of Re-direction Rates.

15. The Postmaster-General may wholly remit the rate of postage for re-direction on any Parcel addressed to the United Kingdom which may, on the request of the addressee thereof, be re-directed by an Officer of the Post Office and again forwarded by post to the same person at any address within the limits of the same free postal delivery, as the address from which such Parcel was so re-directed.

Prohibitions.

16. There shall not be conveyed or tendered for conveyance by post any Parcel consisting of or containing any indecent or obscene picture, painting, photograph, lithograph, engraving, print, book, or card, or any indecent or obscene article or thing of any other kind, or any Parcel having thereon, or on the cover thereof, any words, marks, or designs of an indecent, obscene, libellous, or grossly offensive character, and if any Parcel shall be posted or tendered for conveyance by post which *prima facie* appears to be, or which any Officer of the Post Office may have reasonable cause to suspect to be a Parcel within the description aforesaid, the same shall be detained, opened, and examined, and if on such examination it be found to infringe this or any other of the Regulations contained in this or any other Treasury Warrant relating to the Post Office, it may be dealt with and disposed of in any manner which may be authorized by the Postmaster-General.

17. There shall not be conveyed or tendered for conveyance by post:—

- (1.) Any Parcel the value of which shall exceed the sum of £50.
- (2.) Any Parcel containing any substance, material, article, or thing of any kind whatsoever, which might, in the course of transmission through the post, be or become, or be rendered injurious to any officer of the Post Office, or any other person who may deal with such Parcel, or to any bag, basket, box, or other receptacle in or by which such parcel may be conveyed by post, or to any other Parcel or other contents of any such receptacle.
- (3.) Any Parcel consisting of or enclosing any bladder or other membranous substance containing a liquid of any kind, or anything perishable.
- (4.) Any Parcel containing a live animal of any kind whatsoever.
- (5.) Any Parcel which either from the nature of the contents thereof, or from the absence of proper packing or covering, is, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General or his officers, likely to injure any person in the course of the conveyance of the Parcel through the post, or any receptacle in or by which such Parcel may be conveyed by post, or any other Parcel or any other contents of such receptacle.

Any such Parcel, if posted or tendered for conveyance by post, may be detained, and either returned or given up to the sender thereof or dealt with or disposed of in such other manner as may be authorized by the Postmaster-General.

18. There shall not be posted any Parcel containing any letter or any communication in the nature of a letter written on any part of the Parcel or the cover thereof, or which shall contain any separate letter or communication in the nature of a letter, not being a circular transmissible by book post, and if any such parcel shall be posted the same may in the discretion of the Postmaster-General either be detained and returned or given up to the sender, or be dealt with as follows, that is to say:—

(1.) If such Parcel contain any separate letter or communication in the nature of a letter not being a circular transmissible by book post, such letter or communication may be taken out and forwarded to the address on the Parcel and shall be charged on delivery with the postage to which a letter of the same weight would have been liable if the postage thereof had been prepaid at the place at which the Parcel was posted, and the residue of the Parcel shall be forwarded to its address without additional charge by reason of such enclosure.

(2.) If such Parcel contain any letter or any communication in the nature of a letter written on any part of the Parcel or the cover thereof such Parcel may be forwarded to its destination charged with the sum of two pence halfpenny in addition to all other postage payable thereupon.

19. There shall not be posted or tendered for conveyance by post any Parcel consisting of or containing more than one Parcel or other Postal Packet, where any one of such Packets is intended for delivery to a person other than the addressee of such Parcel, and if any such Parcel shall be posted or tendered for conveyance by post the contents thereof, so far as the same consist of Parcels, may be forwarded to the addressees of such Parcels charged with new and distinct rates of postage, according to the rates fixed by this Warrant, and so far as the same consist of other Postal Packets, may be treated and charged as unpaid Postal Packets, or such Parcel may be otherwise dealt with or disposed of as the Postmaster-General may authorize.

20. There shall not be conveyed or tendered or delivered for conveyance by post in or to any prohibited district in Ireland, any Parcel containing arms or ammunition, and any such Parcel, if posted or tendered or delivered for conveyance by post as aforesaid, may be detained and opened and returned to the sender thereof, or otherwise dealt with according to law.

Non-compliance with Regulations.

21. In any case not hereinbefore expressly provided for, where any Parcel shall be posted or tendered for conveyance by post which in any respect infringes or fails to comply with the regulations in this Warrant contained, or any of them, such Parcel may, at the option of the Postmaster-General, either be dealt with as in this Warrant provided, with reference to Parcels which cannot be delivered, or be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may in his discretion direct or authorize.

Provision for safety of Parcels.

22. In any case where any officer of the Post Office may find it necessary or expedient for the safety or protection of Parcels that any Parcel should be forwarded or delivered by some later despatch or delivery than that for which the same was posted or despatched, or intended to be posted or despatched respectively, he may delay the despatch or delivery of such Parcel, or make such

other and special arrangements as to the despatch or delivery thereof, not, however, involving a greater delay than 24 hours in the whole, as may be deemed by such officer necessary or expedient in the circumstances of the case.

Parcels not to interfere with Letter Post.

23. Where the despatch or delivery from a Post Office in the United Kingdom of letters would be delayed by the despatch or delivery therefrom at the same time of Parcels, such Parcels, or any of them, may be detained in the Post Office until the despatch or delivery next following that by which they would ordinarily be despatched or delivered.

Postmaster-General not liable for Loss or Damage.

24. Nothing contained in or done under or in pursuance of this Warrant shall render the Postmaster-General liable, either personally or in his official capacity, to any action or other legal proceeding in respect or in consequence of any loss of or damage to any Parcel, whether such loss or damage be occasioned by or arise from any act or neglect of any officer of the Post Office or any other person.

Customs Regulations.

25. Parcels intended to be transmitted by post under the provisions of this Warrant shall not be posted, forwarded, conveyed, or delivered, except subject to such Regulations as are referred to in section 14 of the "Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882."

Remission of Postage.

26. The Postmaster-General may, in any case in which he may consider it just or reasonable so to do, remit any postage or any sum made payable under this Warrant.

Commencement of Warrant.

27. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1885.

Dated this 12th day of June, 1885.

R. W. Duff,

Herbert J. Gladstone,

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

G. Shaw Lefevre,

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

ORDER of the Local Government Board under the District Auditors Act, 1879: Assignment of District and Duties:—

Durham Audit District.

To Charles Luxmoore Hockin, of Dartmouth, in the county of Devon, District Auditor;—

To the Guardians of the Poor of the several Unions named in the Schedule to this Order;—

To the Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes comprised within the said Unions respectively;—

To the other Authorities referred to in Article 2 (Nos. 3 and 4) of this Order;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by Section 4 of "The District Auditors Act, 1879," We, the Local Government Board, are empowered to assign to District Auditors their Duties, and the Districts in which they are respectively to act;

And whereas the said Charles Luxmoore Hockin is a District Auditor duly appointed under the provisions of the Statutes in that behalf:

Now, therefore, We hereby certify the appointment of the said Charles Luxmoore Hockin