

Stapleton Lord Combermere, G. C. B. to be Captain-General and Governor in Chief in and over the island of Barbadoes, his Lordship this day took the usual oaths appointed to be taken by the Governors of His Majesty's plantations.

*Carlton-House, February 6, 1817.*

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent was this day pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to confer the honour of Knighthood on Lieutenant Robert Steele, of the Corps of Royal Marines, a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Spanish service, and a Knight of the Royal Spanish Order of Charles the Third.

*War-Office, March 29, 1817.*

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to direct, that the 12th or Prince of Wales's Light Dragoons or Lancers, shall be in future styled, "the 12th or Prince of Wales's Royal Regiment of Lancers:" that the colour of the facing of the Regiment, which is at present yellow, shall be changed to scarlet, and that the lace, which is at present silver, shall be changed to gold.

The alteration in the clothing to take place from the 25th December next.

His Royal Highness has also been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to approve of permission being granted to the 38th Regiment to bear on its colours and appointments, in addition to any other badges or devices which may have been heretofore granted to the Regiment, the words "Monte Video," "Salamanca," and "St. Sebastian," in commemoration of the very distinguished gallantry displayed by that Regiment in the capture of Monte Video, on the 3d February 1807; in the battle of Salamanca, on the 21st and 22d July 1812; and in the storming and capture of St. Sebastian, on the 31st August 1813.

His Royal Highness has also been pleased to approve of the 2d Battalion of the 84th Regiment being permitted to bear on its colours and appointments the word "Nive," in commemoration of the distinguished services of that Battalion in the battle of the Nive, on the 9th, 10th, and 11th December 1813.

His Royal Highness has also been pleased to approve of the 90th Regiment of Light Infantry, or Perthshire Volunteers, being permitted to bear on its colours and appointments the words "Mandora," "Martinique," and "Guadeloupe," in commemoration of the services of the Regiment when leading the right column of the Army in its advance for Mandora, on the 13th March 1801; in the capture of Martinique, on the 8th February 1809; and of Guadeloupe, on the 3d February 1810.

His Royal Highness has also been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to grant permission to the 2d Battalion of the 34th Regiment, to bear on its colours and appointments, in addition to any other badges or devices which may have been heretofore granted to the Regiment,

the word "Albuera," in commemoration of the services of the Battalion in the battle of Albuera, on the 16th May 1811.

His Royal Highness has also been pleased to grant permission to the 45th Regiment to bear on its colours and appointments, in addition to any other badges or devices which may have been heretofore granted to the Regiment, the words "Talavera," and "Busaco," in commemoration of the services of the Regiment in the battle of Talavera, in Spain, on the 27th and 28th July 1809, and in the action at Busaco, in Portugal, on the 27th September 1810.

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4th Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant Duncan P. Slocock, from half-pay of the 14th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Honourable George Blaquiere, who exchanges. Commission dated March 25, 1817.

15th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Captain Charles Jones, from half-pay of the Regiment, to be Captain of a Troop, vice James Ogdon Buckley, placed upon half-pay. Dated March 25, 1817.

20th Ditto, Cornet William Webster to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Harrison, who retires. Dated March 20, 1817.

2d Regiment of Foot, Ensign Thomas Armstrong to be Lieutenant, vice Wood, promoted. Dated March 20, 1817.

George Campbell, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Thomas Armstrong. Dated March 20, 1817.

46th Ditto, Captain Joseph Otway, from half-pay of the 101st Foot, to be Captain of a Company, vice Edward Sanderson, who exchanges. Dated March 20, 1817.

52d Ditto, Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel William Mein, from half-pay of the Regiment, to be Major, vice Reynett, who exchanges. Dated March 20, 1817.

78th Ditto, Ensign William James Cockburne to be Lieutenant, vice Sutherland, deceased. Dated March 20, 1817.

V. H. Mairis, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Cockburne. Dated May 11, 1813.

83d Ditto, Francis Fletcher Vane, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Cochrane, who retires. Dated March 20, 1817.

90th Ditto, Lieutenant John Taylor, from half-pay of the 91st Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Hind, deceased. Dated March 20, 1817.

Rifle Brigade, Ensign John Fennell, from half-pay of the 90th Foot, to be Second Lieutenant, vice Walsh, who exchanges. Dated March 20, 1817.

3d Ceylon Regiment, Second Lieutenant Alexander Scott, from the 4th Ceylon Regiment, to be Second Lieutenant, without purchase. Dated April 25, 1816.

BREVET.

Captain John Belches, Aide-de-Camp to the late Lieutenant-General Sir James Leith, to be Major in the Army. Dated March 20, 1817.

Captain William Reid, of the Royal Engineers, to be Major in the Army. Dated March 20, 1817.