

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

*3rd Cambridgeshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Robert Gregory Wale, Esq., to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Viscount Royston, resigned. Dated 13th February, 1868.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has signified Her pleasure that Lieutenants Edward Muriel Martin and George King be struck off the strength of the Cambridgeshire Militia.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Ross.*

*3rd Ross-shire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Lieutenant Henry Mackenzie Fowler to be Captain, vice Mackenzie, resigned. Dated 29th January, 1868.

Ensign John Dearnally Shaw to be Lieutenant, vice Fowler, promoted. Dated 29th January, 1868.

Peter Grant, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Shaw, promoted. Dated 29th January, 1868.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Stafford.*

*6th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Henry Edwards, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Pinder, promoted. Dated 4th February, 1868.

*15th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

The Reverend John Stone, Clerk, to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 1st February, 1868.

MEMORANDA.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Lieutenant Charles William Mansel Lewis in the Royal Carmarthen Artillery Militia.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Lieutenant James Marmont in the 3rd Regiment of Royal Surrey Militia.

The 8th Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Corps has been incorporated in the 26th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps, and the former Corps will cease to hold any number and place in the Volunteer Force of the Tower Hamlets. Dated 11th February, 1868.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS 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, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and made chargeable and payable upon, for, or in respect of letters, newspapers, Parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post; and by the same Act powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, and at any time thereafter, by Warrant, under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of postage therein mentioned.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury 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 it is expedient to authorize the transmission of certain packets by the post between Hong Kong and Shanghai, and between Hong Kong and Shanghai and certain other ports in China and Japan, and for that purpose to fix certain rates of postage and make certain regulations in the manner hereinafter mentioned and set forth.

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, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, or consisting of printed votes or proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or the Colonial Legislatures, and all packets consisting of patterns or samples of merchandize, posted in Hong Kong, addressed to Shanghai, or posted in Shanghai, addressed to Hong Kong, or posted in Hong Kong or Shanghai, addressed to any other port in China, or any port in Japan at which the British packet boat calls, or posted in any port in China (except Hong Kong or Shanghai), or any port in Japan at which the British packet boat calls, addressed to Hong Kong or Shanghai, may be transmitted direct by British packet boat between Hong Kong and Shanghai, and between Hong Kong or Shanghai, and any other port in China, or any port in Japan at which such packet boat calls, subject to the several rates of postage hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

On every such packet so transmitted, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of postage (British and colonial combined) of three pence;

And on every such packet exceeding four ounces, and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, there shall be charged and taken two rates of postage;

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

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

And for every additional four ounces in weight of any such packet above the weight of sixteen ounces, there shall be charged and taken one additional rate of postage; and in charging any additional rate of postage under this clause 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 four ounces in weight.

2. The postage of all such packets as aforesaid shall in every case be paid at the time of the same being posted, either in money or by the proper postage stamp or stamps being affixed thereto,