

the importance I attached to his presence at the mouth of the harbour of Balaklava the next morning, which difficult service (from the intricacy of the country infested by Cossacks) he accomplished so effectually, that the Admiral was enabled to appear off this harbour at the very moment that our troops shewed themselves upon the heights.

Nothing could be more opportune than his arrival, and yesterday the magnificent ship that bears his flag entered this beautiful harbour; and the Admiral, as has been his invariable practice, co-operated with the Army in every way possible.

We are busily engaged in disembarking our siege train and provisions, and we are most desirous of undertaking the attack of Sevastopol without the loss of a day. I moved up two Divisions yesterday to its immediate neighbourhood, when I was enabled to have a good view of the place, and Lieutenant-General Sir John Burgoyne and General Bisot, the French Chef de Génie, are occupied in reconnoitering it closely to-day.

The march of the French Army on the 25th was still more fatiguing and prolonged than ours. Being behind our columns they could not reach Tschernaya till the next day, and I fear must have suffered sadly from want of water.

I regret to have to acquaint your Grace that Marshal St Arnaud has been compelled by severe illness to relinquish the command of the Army. I saw him on the 25th, when he was suffering very much, and he felt it his duty to resign the next morning. I view his retirement with deep concern, having always found in him every disposition to act in concert with me. He has since become much worse, and is I fear in a very precarious state.

Fortunately he is succeeded by an Officer of high reputation, General Canrobert, with whom I am satisfied I shall have great pleasure in acting, and who is equally desirous of maintaining the most friendly relations with me:

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) RAGLAN.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle,  
do. do. do.

Commission signed by the Queen.

Kirkcudbright and Wigton Regiment of Militia.  
William Munro, Esq. to be Adjutant, Dated 7th  
William 1854.

Commission signed by the Queen.

4th or Royal South Middlesex Regiment of Militia.  
George Hope, gent. to be Quartermaster, from 2d  
August 1854. Dated 3d August 1854.

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

Thomas Mackenzie, Esq. one of the Deputy  
Lieutenants of the county of Ross, to be Vice-  
Lieutenant. Dated 6th October 1854.

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

1st or Royal East Middlesex Regiment of Militia.  
Ensign Frederick Barnes to be Lieutenant, vice  
Ibbetson; resigned. Dated 27th September 1854.

3d or Royal Westminster Light Infantry Regi-  
ment of Middlesex Militia.

Hugh Beauchamp Halswell, gent. to be Lieuten-  
ant. Dated 27th September 1854.

James Henry McEwen, gent. to be Ensign.  
Dated 27th September 1854.

Henry Bulkeley, gent. to be Ensign. Dated  
27th September 1854.

4th or Royal South Middlesex Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant William Browne Ponsonby, half-pay  
22d Bombay Native Infantry, to be Lieu-  
tenant, vice Morrah, appointed to the 3d West  
India Regiment. Dated 27th September 1854.

Percy Charles Smyth, gent. to be Ensign. Dated  
20th September 1854.

Edward Hamilton Finney, Esq. late 1st Royal  
Regiment, to be Captain, vice Masterson, re-  
signed. Dated 20th September 1854.

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

Artillery Regiment of Militia of the County  
of Durham.

Major Henry Stobart to be Lieutenant-Colonel  
Commandant. Dated 4th October 1854.

Captain William Cookson, of the South Durham  
Regiment, to be Major. Dated 4th October  
1854.

Charles Frederick Perkins, Esq. to be Captain.  
Dated 4th October 1854.

William Stobart, Esq. to be Captain. Dated 4th  
October 1854.

Second Lieutenant Charles William Bell to be  
First Lieutenant. Dated 4th October 1854.

Second Lieutenant George Hodgson to be First  
Lieutenant. Dated 4th October 1854.

Edward Featherstonhaugh, gent. to be Second  
Lieutenant. Dated 4th October 1854.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's  
Treasury having certified to the Commissioners  
for the Reduction of the National Debt, in pur-  
suance of the Act 10 Geo. IV, c. 27, sec. 1,  
that the actual surplus revenue of the United  
Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, beyond  
the actual expenditure thereof, for the year ended  
the 5th day of July 1854, amounted to the sum  
of one million and fifty-eight thousand six hun-  
dred and seventy-eight pounds eleven shillings and  
ten pence;

The Commissioners for the Reduction of the  
National Debt hereby give notice, that the sum  
of two hundred and sixty-four thousand six  
hundred and sixty-nine pounds twelve shillings  
and eleven pence, being one-fourth part of the said  
surplus of one million and fifty-eight thousand six  
hundred and seventy-eight pounds eleven shillings  
and ten pence, will be applied, under the provi-  
sions of the said Act, between the 11th day  
of October 1854 and the 5th day of January  
1855, to the following purposes; viz.—

To be applied towards the re-  
duction of the National Debt, £264,669 12 11  
Add Interest receivable on ac-  
count of Donations and Be-  
quests to be applied to the  
purchase of Stock..... 2,729 11 1

£267,399 4 0

National Debt Office, October 6, 1854.

A. Y. SPEARMAN,  
Comptroller-General.