

Admiralty, 26th August, 1857.

The following promotions, dated the 22nd August, 1857, consequent on the death, on the 21st August, of Admiral of the White Richard Thomas, have taken place :

Admiral of the Blue Sir John Louis, Bart., to be Admiral of the White.
 Vice-Admiral of the Red Sir Edward Chetham Strode, K.C.B., K.C.H, to be Admiral of the Blue.
 Vice-Admiral of the White Sir Phipps Hornby, K.C.B., to be Vice-Admiral of the Red.
 Vice-Admiral of the Blue Sir John Gordon Sinclair, Bart., to be Vice-Admiral of the White.
 Rear-Admiral of the Red Sir James Stirling to be Vice-Admiral of the Blue.
 Rear-Admiral of the White Sir Charles Howe Fremantle, K.C.B., to be Rear-Admiral of the Red.
 Rear-Admiral of the Blue Charles Talbot to be Rear-Admiral of the White.
 Captain Sir William Dickson, Bart.,
 Captain William Sydney Smith,
 to be Rear-Admirals on the Reserved Half-pay List.
 Captain the Honourable Henry Keppel, C.B., to be Rear-Admiral of the Blue.

Captain Henry Ommanney Love, on the Retired List, has also been promoted to be a Retired Rear-Admiral on the terms proposed in the London Gazette of 1st September, 1846, without increase of pay.

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

East Kent Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant Henry Thomas Howell to be Captain, vice Gray, resigned. Dated 19th August, 1857.
 Edward Denne Nares, Esq. (late Lieutenant 97th Foot), to be Captain, vice Griffiths, resigned. Dated 25th August, 1857.

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

7th Regiment of Royal Lancashire Militia.

John Stubbs Wait, Gent., to be Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 24th August, 1857.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the North Riding of Yorkshire.

North York Rifle Regiment of Militia.

Ensign Eyre Ledgard to be Lieutenant, vice Strangways, retired. Dated 14th August, 1857.

Whitehall, July 24, 1857.

The Right Honourable Sir Alexander Edmund Cockburn, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Henry Wyld Jackson, of Haverhill, in the county of Suffolk, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgements of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Suffolk, also in and for the counties of Essex and Cambridge.

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Whitehall, August 17, 1857.

The Right Honourable Sir Alexander Edmund Cockburn, Knt., Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Benjamin Soulbey Simpson, of the town of Boston, in the county of Lincoln, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the town of Boston, also in and for the Parts of Holland, in the county of Lincoln.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 15.) MEDITERRANEAN.—COAST OF SPAIN.

Fixed Light, with Flashes, on Cape Oropesa.

THE Minister of Marine, at Madrid, has given notice, that on and after the 1st day of April, 1857, a light would be exhibited from a light tower recently built on Cape Oropesa, in the province of Castellon, Valencia.

The light is a fixed white light, varied by a flash once every three minutes. The illuminating apparatus is catadioptric of the third order. The light is placed at an elevation of 75 English feet above the level of the sea, and should be visible from the deck of a ship, in ordinary weather, at a distance of 13 nautic miles.

The light tower stands in lat. 40° 6' 36" N., long. 0° 9' 7" east of Greenwich. Its form, height, and colour are not stated.

[All bearings are magnetic. Var. 18° 45' in January, 1857.]

By command of their Lordships,
John Washington, Hydrographer.
 Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
 15th May, 1857.

This notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Mediterranean, General, No. 2158, and Alicante to Palamos, No. 1187. Also Mediterranean Lights List, 1857, No. 18.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 16.) INDIAN OCEAN.—BAY OF BENGAL.

Light Ship at the Entrance of the Mutlah.

THE Superintendent of Marine at Calcutta has given notice, that a Light Ship has been temporarily stationed at the entrance of the Mutlah channel, in the Bay of Bengal, in lat. 21° 6' N., long. 88° 48' east nearly, in 10 fathoms' depth of water, at about 7 miles south-east of the Outer or Bulcherry reef Buoy.

The vessel will exhibit a clear white light, at an elevation of about 30 feet above the level of the sea, which would be visible from the deck of a ship in the ordinary state of the weather at a distance of about 7 miles.

The vessel will carry a Red Flag at the main mast head by day, and, if she continues in her position, will fire a rocket at 8 P.M., at midnight, and at 4 A.M., from the 15th March until the 16th October. For the present a pilot brig will show the light.

Houses of Refuge.

Similar notice has been given, that Houses of Refuge for shipwrecked mariners cast ashore on