WAR-OFFICE, April 27, 1860.

The Queen having been graciously pleased, by a Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 13th of December 1858, to declare that Non-Military Persons who, as Volunteers, have borne arms against the Mutineers, both at Lucknow and elsewhere, during the late operations in India, shall be considered as eligible to receive the Decoration of the Victoria Cross, subject to the rules and ordinances already made and ordained for the government thereof, provided that it be established in any case that the person was serving under the orders of a General, or other Officer in Command of Troops in the Field, when he performed the Act of Bravery for which it is proposed to confer the Decoration;—Her Majesty has accordingly been pleased to signify Her intention to confer this high distinction on the undermentioned Gentleman, whose claim to the same has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, on account of an Act of Bravery performed by him in India, as recorded against his name; viz.:—

Name and Designation.

Act of Bravery for which recommended.

Mr George Bell Chicken, Indian Naval Brigade.

> Date of Act of Bravery, 27th September 1858.

For great gallantry, on the 27th September 1858, at Suhejnee, near Peroo, in having charged into the middle of a considerable number of the rebels who were preparing to rally and open fire upon the scattered pursuers. They were surrounded on all sides, but fighting desperately. Mr Chicken succeeded in killing five before he was cut down himself. He would have been cut to pieces had not some of the men of the 1st Bengal Police and 3d Seikh Irregular Cavalry dashed into the crowd to his rescue, and routed it, after killing several of the Enemy.

WHITEHALL, April 25, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto George West Piggott, of Harrogate, in the West Riding of the county of York, Doctor of Medicine, Master of Arts, and Foundation Fellow of St Peter's College, in the University of Cambridge, and Member of the Royal College of Physicians of London, and to Anne Hitchin, the widow and relict of Ward Dyson Hitchin, late of Halifax, in the said West Riding of the county of York, Gentleman, deceased, and only surviving child of James Royston, and sister and sole heir of Aquila-Edward Royston, both late of Halifax aforesaid, Merchants, deceased, Her royal licence and authority that, from and immediately after the solemnization of their intended marriage, they may take and use the surname of Royston in addition to and before that of Piggott:

And to command that the said royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.

WAR-OFFICE, PALL-MALL, April 27, 1860.

10th Regiment of Foot.

Major-General Thomas Burke to be Colonel, vice General Sir Thomas M'Mahon, Bart., G.C.B., deceased. Dated 11th April 1860.

WAR-OFFICE, PALL-MALL, April 27, 1860.

2d Regiment of Life Guards—Cornet and Sub-Lieutenant Richard D. Barrè Cuninghame to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Berkeley, promoted. Dated 28th March 1860.

- 2d Dragoon Guards—Lieutenant George Eugene Logan to be Captain, without purchase, vice Ling, deceased. Dated 29th February 1860.
- Cornet Charles Lever to be Lieutenaut, without purchase, vice Logan. Dated 29th February 1860.
- Troop Serjeant-Major Benjamin Edmonds to be Cornet, without purchase, vice Lever. Dated 27th April 1860.
- 4th Dragoon Guards—Cornet Clement Robert Nuttail Royds to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Muttlebury, who retires. Dated 27th April 1860.
- 5th Dragoon Guards—Lieutenant Augustus William Travers to be Captain, by purchase, vice Hay, who retires. Dated 27th April 1860.
- Cornet William James Scarlett to be Lieutenaut, by purchase, vice Travers. Dated 27th April 1860.
- 18th Light Dragoons—Lieutenant William Edward Shaw, from the 12th Light Dragoons, to be Lieutenant, vice Saunders, deceased. Dated 27th April 1860.
- Royal Artillery—Brevet-Major Robert Frederick Mountain to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brandling, deceased. Dated 17th April 1860.
- Brevet-Major William John Bolton to be Captain, vice Mountain. Dated 17th April 1860.
- Lieutenant Michael Tweedie to be Second Captain, vice Bolton. Dated 17th April 1860.
- Lieutenant Robert Berkeley Butt has been permitted to resign his Commission. Dated 16th April 1860.
- Quartermaster-Serjeant James Hamilton to be Quartermaster, vice Hassall, retired on halfpay. Dated 12th April 1860.
- Coast Brigade of Artillery—Serjeant-Major Samuel Blair to be Quartermaster, vice Behenna, placed on the Supernumerary List. Dated 14th April 1860.