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OSBORNE HOUSE, August 9, 1861.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty:—

The Count von Görtz, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary on an Extraordinary Mission from His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Hesse, to deliver his credentials:

To which audience he was introduced by the Earl Russell, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

NOTICE.

INDIA-OFFICE, August 12, 1861.

In the General Order of the Governor-General of India,* dated 10th April last, republished in the London Gazette of the 28th May 1861, it was stated that the position and claims of the Field Officers of the Indian Armies, now unemployed, or for whom it may be difficult to find suitable employment under the new system, were under consideration.

It has now been determined by the Secretary of State for India in Council that annuities, at the following rates, shall be offered on retirement to the Lieutenant-Colonels and Majors as they stand Regimentally in the Cavalry and Infantry of the three Presidencies, in addition to the pensions to which they may be entitled under the Regulations of the Service; viz:—

CAVALRY.

Lieutenant-Colonels.

Bengal.	Madras.	Bombay.
Per annum.	Per annum.	Per annum.
1st...£550	1st...£550	1st...£500
2d ... 450	2d ... 450	2d ... 300
3d ... 400	3d ... 350	3d ... 250
4th... 350	4th... 300	
5th... 300	5th... 280	
6th... 280	6th... 250	
7th... 260	7th... 250	
8th... 250	8th... 250	
9th... 250		
10th... 250		

* Paragraph 63.

Any number of Lieutenant-Colonels in excess of the establishment, in consequence of the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonels to be Major-Generals, will receive the pension of the junior in the above list.

The Regimental Lieutenant-Colonels of Infantry will be divided into groups, as shewn in the following table; an annuity of the same amount being allotted to every Officer of each group.

INFANTRY.

Lieutenant-Colonels.

No. of Group.	No. in each Group for Bengal.	No. in each Group for Madras.	No. in each Group for Bombay.	Amount per Annum.
1	5	3	2	£ 550
2	5	4	2	500
3	5	3	2	450
4	5	4	2	400
5	5	3	2	350
6	5	4	2	300
7	5	3	2	280
8	5	4	2	260
9	10	7	4	250
10	10	9	4	250
11	10	7	4	200
12	10	9	7	200

The groups have been formed with reference to the established number of Lieutenant-Colonels of Infantry in the several Presidencies, as they stand for succession to Colonel's allowance.

Any number of Lieutenant-Colonels in excess of that establishment, in consequence of the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonels to be Major-Generals, will receive the pension of the last group.

Majors.

The Regimental Majors of Cavalry and Infantry of each Presidency will be thrown together into one list, according to regimental seniority, and will be divided into four groups as nearly as possible. Every member of each group to receive

