

same be taken into consideration by Her Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette, one month at least before such petition shall be so considered :

And whereas the inhabitant householders of the borough of Wakefield, in the west riding of the county of York, have presented a petition to Her Majesty in Council, praying, that a charter of incorporation may be granted to the said borough; Her Majesty was this day pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the said petition be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on Saturday the twenty-eighth day of August next.

*Wm. L. Batkurst.*

*Foreign-Office, July 21, 1847.*

It is hereby notified, that Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received a dispatch, dated the 3d instant, from Sir Hamilton Seymour, Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Lisbon, containing a Decree of the Queen of Portugal, of which the following is a translation :

*Decree.*

The motives having ceased for which the Bar of the river Douro was declared in a state of blockade, under Decree of the 20th of October last, I am pleased to cause it to be published, that the town of Oporto is open to navigation, as it was previously to that Decree, as also all other ports in the river Douro.

The Ministers, &c. of the several departments shall so cause it to be executed, &c.

Palace of Necessidades, July 1, 1847.

(Manu Regia)

RAINHA.

Countersigned by all the Ministers.

*Foreign-Office, July 23, 1847.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Frederick Bruce to be Her Majesty's Consul General in the Republick of Bolivia.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint James Brooke, Esq. to be Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul General to the Sultan and Independent Chiefs in the island of Borneo.

*Cambridge-House, July 22, 1847.*

The Duke of Cambridge has been pleased to appoint the Reverend William Henry Dickinson to be one of His Royal Highness's Chaplains.

*War-Office, 23d July 1847.*

*6th Dragoon Guards*, Cornet Edward M'Evoy to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Vavasour Carter, who retires. Dated 23d July 1847.

John Jestyn Williams Fredericks, Gent. to be Cornet, by purchase, vice M'Evoy. Dated 23d July 1847.

*5th Regiment of Foot*, Quartermaster Serjeant Robert Webster to be Quartermaster, vice William Tiller, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 23d July 1847.

*24th Foot*, Ensign Henry John Hinde, from the 50th Foot, to be Ensign, vice Hibbert, who exchanges. Dated 23d July 1847.

*28th Foot*, Lieutenant Archibald Edward Cochran Forster, from the 5th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Burrell, appointed to the 45th Foot. Dated 23d July 1847.

*50th Foot*, Ensign Edward George Hibbert, from the 24th Foot, to be Ensign, vice Hinde, who exchanges. Dated 23d July 1847.

*72d Foot*, Serjeant Major John Lindsay to be Quartermaster, vice William Hume, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 23d July 1847.

*90th Foot*, Paymaster Henry Yielding Eagar has been superseded, for being absent without leave. Dated 6th March 1847.

*Rifle Brigade*, Second Lieutenant Arthur de Vere Viscount Malden to be First Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Sir Henry Tyrwhitt, Bart. who retires. Dated 23d July 1847.

Arthur Warren, Gent. to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Viscount Malden. Dated 23d July 1847.

*Ceylon Rifle Regiment*, Second Lieutenant Geddes Sansoni Twynam to be First Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Brereton, who retires. Dated 23d July 1847.

Ensign William Charles Bruce, from the Cape Mounted Riflemen, to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Twynam. Dated 23d July 1847.

*Cape Mounted Riflemen*, Bedford Davies, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Bruce, appointed to the Ceylon Rifle Regiment. Dated 23d July 1847.

GARRISONS.

Quartermaster William Hume, from the 72d Foot, to be Town Adjutant of Gibraltar, vice Campbell, deceased. Dated 23d July 1847.

MEMORANDUM.

Captain John Smith (2d), upon half-pay Unattached, has been permitted to assume the name of *Dodsworth*, in addition to and after that of *Smith*.

The commission of Lieutenant Rutherford, as Adjutant to the 70th Foot, has been antedated to 27th April 1847.

The Christian name of Cornet Garland, of the 11th Light Dragoons, is *Lester*, not *Lister*, as previously stated.