of Dalhousie had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle.

The Chapter then proceeded to a second election, and the suffrages having been collected as before, and presented to the Sovereign, Her Majesty was pleased to declare, that Robert Earl of Camperdown had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle.

Then, by command of the Sovereign, the Earl of Camperdown was received at the door of the Chapter-room by the Marquess of Breadalbane and the Earl of Rosebery, the two junior Knights Brethren present, and conducted between them to Her Majesty, preceded by the Secretary (bearing on a crimson velvet cushion the ensigns of the Order), and by the Usher of the Green Rod.

The sword of state being thereupon delivered to the Sovereign by His Royal Highness the Prince Albert, the senior Knight, the Earl of Camperdown, kneeling near the Sovereign, was knighted therewith, after which his Lordship had the honour to kiss Her Majesty's hand; the Earl, rising, the oath was administered to his Lordship by the Secretary.

The Earl of Camperdown, then again kneeling, and the Secretary, on his knee, presenting to Her Majesty the ribband and jewel of the Order, the Queen was graciously pleased to place the same over the Earl's left shoulder.

His Lordship having again kissed the Sovereign's hand, and received the congratulations of the Knights Brethren, retired.

The Chapter being ended, the Knights Brethren were, by command of Her Majesty, again called over by the Secretary, and, with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign, with the usual reverences.

Foreign-Office, May 15, 1848.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Robert Hicks, as Consul at Lerwick for His Majesty the King of Hanover.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Gunder Anton Martin Aas, as Consul at Great Grimsby for the Grand Duke of Mecklenburgh Schwerin.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. James M'Dowell, as Consul at Belfast for the United States of America.

Office of Ordnance, 12th May 1848.

Royal Regiment of Artillery.

First Lieutenant John James Brandling to be Second Captain, vice Ramsay, retired on halfpay. Dated 1st May 1848.

Second Lieutenant Henry Jermyn Montgomery Campbell to be First Lieutenant, vice Brandling. Dated 1st May 1848,

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Office of Ordnance, 15th May 1848.

Corps of Royal Engineers.

First Lieutenant Richard Burnaby to be Second Captain, vice Hornby, deceased. Dated 14th April 1848.

Second Lieutenant Augustus Jonathan Clerke to be First Lieutenant, vice Burnaby. Dated 14th April 1848.

MEMORANDUM.

The date of the promotion of Second Captain Craigie, and First Lieutenant G. H. Gordon, has been altered to 9th April 1848.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the West Riding of the County of York, and of the City and County of the City of York.

First West Regiment of West Riding Yeomanry Cavalry.

Charles Stanley, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated 12th May 1848.

Whitehall, May 15, 1848.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto the Reverend Robert Pennyman Hull, Perpetual Curate of Buxton, in the county of Derby, Her royal licence and authority, that he may, in compliance with an injunction contained in the last will and testament of James Brown, formerly of Lowton-house, within Woodplumpton, but late of Preston, both in the county of Lancaster, Gent. deceased, discontinue the surname of Hull, and take, assume, and use that of Brown only:

And also 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.

Whitehall, April 22, 1848.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed William Ward Duffield, of Chelmsford, in the county of Essex, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

CONTRACTS FOR CANDLES.

Department of the Comptroller for Victualling and Transport Services, Somerset-Place, May 9, 1848.

THE Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland do hereby give notice, that, on Thursday the 18th instant, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying and delivering into Her Majesty's Victualling Stores, at Deptford, and into the Royal Marine Barracks, at Woolwich,

All such quantities of Tallow Candles as shall, from time to time, be demanded, for twelve months certain, and further until the expiration of three months' warning.