Fund, to the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight

hundred and fifty-six.

An Act to extend the period for which Her Majesty may grant letters patent of incorporation to joint stock banks in Scotland existing before the Act of one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

Whitehall, March 4, 1856.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto George Stott, of Eccleshill Hall, in the parish of Bradford, in the county of York, and of Ramsgate, in the county of Kent, Esquire, retired Lieutenant-Colonel in the service of the East India Company, on the Madras Establishment, Her royal licence and authority that he and his issue may take and henceforth use the surname of Stanhope, in addition to and after that of Stott, and that he and they may bear the arms of Stanhope, such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the Herald's Office, otherwise the said royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to command that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in Her

Majesty's College of Arms.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, March 10, 1856.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, stating that the restrictions upon the exportion of grain from Turkish ports, below the town of Dardanelles, have been withdrawn.

Board of Trade, Whitchall, March 11, 1856.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Mexico, stating that the decree, prohibiting the currency of foreign coin in Mexico, has been annulled.

Commission signed by the Queen.

Royal Sussex Light Infantry Regiment of Militia. John Foster, Gent., to be Quartermaster, from the 9th January, 1856. Dated 30th January, 1856.

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

East Kent Regiment of Militia.

John Hamilton Gray, Esq., late Captain 7th Dragoon Guards, to be Captain, vice Thurlow, resigned. Dated 7th March, 1856.

Lieutenant David White Griffith to be Captain. Dated 8th March, 1856.

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West Kent Light Infantry Regiment of Militia.

Join: Joseph Tookie, Gent., to be Engign, vi e Willoughby, resigned. Dated 7th March, 1856.

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

4th or Royal South Middlesex Regiment of Militia.

Thomas Fitzmaurice Burke, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Bourk, promoted. Dated 1st March, 1856.

John Francis Spenlove Waite, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Keane, promoted. Dated 1st March, 1856.

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

1st Regiment of the Duke of Lancaster's Own Militia.

Lieutenant James Robert Innes Gregg to be Captain, vice Thursby, resigned. Dated 7th March, 1856.

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

1st Regiment of King's Own Staffordshire Militia.

Ensign John Bates Marston to be Lieutenant, vice Elliot, resigned. Dated 3rd March, 1856.

Ensign Arthur Fitzgerald to be Lieutenant, vice Allan, resigned. Dated 3rd March, 1856.

Ensign Frederick Severne to be Lieutenant, vice Hickman, appointed to 60th Foot. Dated 3rd March, 1856.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Durham.

1st Durham Regiment of Militia.

Poulett George Henry Somerset, Esq., C.B., late Lieutenant-Colonel Coldstream Guards, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Bowes, who retires. Dated 1st March, 1856.

Ensign Surtees Smith to le Lieutenant, vice Winn, appointed to the 76th Foot. Dated 1st March, 1856.

2nd Durham Regiment of Militia.

Ensign William Henry Green to be Lieutenant, vice Wilkinson, appointed to the 95th Foot. Dated 1st March, 1856.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Edinburgh or Mid-Lothian.

Queen's Regiment of Light Infantry Militia.

Major Sir Archibald Hope, Bart., to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Macdonald, retired. Dated 28th February, 1856.

Captain John Fletcher to be Major, vice Hope, promoted. Dated 28th February, 1856.

Licutenant George Andrew Coventry to be Captain, vice Fletcher, promoted. Dated 28th February, 1856.

Ensign James Pringle to be Lieutenant, vice Sinclair, appointed to the 79th Regiment. Dated 28th February, 1856.

Commissions signed by the Vice Lieutenant of the East Riding of the County of York, and the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull.

East York Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant William Thomas David Lloyd to be Captain, vice Thompson, appointed to the 38th Foot. Dated 7th March, 1856.

Ensign Charles Joseph Lynch to be Lieutenant, vice Lloyd, promoted. Dated 7th March, 1856. Henry Astley Harding, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Lynch, promoted. Dated 7th March, 1856.

Lieutenant Frederick Loinsworth resigned his Commission as Lieutenant in the Northamptonshire Militia the 31st day of December, 1955.