

The Commissions as Major-Generals, with temporary rank, of the undermentioned Officers have been antedated to the 24th July, 1856 :

Brevet-Colonel William Freke Williams.  
 Brevet-Colonel Robert Garrett.  
 Brevet-Colonel Charles Warren, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Lord William Paulet, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Duncan Alexander Cameron, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Charles Van Staubenzee.  
 Brevet-Colonel Honourable A. A. Spencer, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel John Lawrenson  
 Brevet-Colonel William Parlbv.  
 Brevet-Colonel Frederick Horn, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel A. A. T. Cunynghame, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Charles Trollope, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel A. J. Lawrence, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Horatio Shirley, C.B.  
 Brevet-Colonel Randal Rumley.  
 Brevet-Colonel Charles R. S. Lord West, C.B.

The undermentioned promotion to take place in the East India Company's Army, consequent upon the death of Major-General Stephen Moody, Bengal Infantry, on 28th November, 1856:

*To be Major-General.*

Colonel Henry Hancock, Bombay Infantry.  
 Dated 28th November, 1856.

The undermentioned Officers of the East India Company's Army, retired upon full-pay, to have a step of honorary rank:

Lieutenant-Colonel George Stephens Brown, Bombay Infantry, to be Colonel. Dated 5th December, 1856.  
 Lieutenant-Colonel John James Hamilton, Bengal Infantry, to be Colonel. Dated 19th December, 1856.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Bristol.*

*Royal South Gloucester Light Infantry Regiment of Militia.*

Charles Austin Gibson, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Compigne, deceased. Dated 13th December, 1856.

**TREASURY WARRANT.**

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," it was enacted (amongst other things) that printed newspapers might be sent free of postage, or liable to postage according to certain regulations and rates in the said Act set forth. And it was by the said Act provided that the Postmaster-General might remit any of the rates of British postage or inland postage, for the time being, payable by law on the transmission of post letters, newspapers, or other printed papers, to such extent as the Lords of the Treasury should from time to time direct.

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post-office," it was (amongst other things) enacted that it should be lawful for the Postmaster-

General, if he should think fit, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to allow any printed words, writing, or marks, in addition to the direction, to be put on any printed newspapers or other printed papers sent by the post, or on the covers thereof, and any such newspapers or other printed papers should from thenceforth be forwarded, either free of postage or subject to such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury should from time to time direct.

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and to provide for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications," it was (amongst other things) enacted that it should be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, to allow any printed newspaper (British, colonial, or foreign) to be transmitted by the post between places in the United Kingdom and Her Majesty's colonies or foreign countries, or between any ports or places beyond the sea, whether through the United Kingdom or not, either free of postage or subject to such rates of postage, not exceeding two pence for each newspaper, irrespective of any foreign or colonial postage, as the Commissioners of the Treasury or the Postmaster-General, with their consent, should from time to time think fit.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the several before-recited Acts, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, did by a certain Warrant, in writing, under the hands of two of them the said Commissioners, by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided, bearing date the 30th day of June, 1855, order, direct, and consent that the several printed newspapers, periodical publications, and printed prices current, mentioned in the Schedule to that Warrant annexed, should and might be transmitted by the post between any part of the several places mentioned and set forth in the said Schedule, in conformity with, and under, and subject to, the several orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions thereafter mentioned and contained, either free or that the rates of postage for the transmission thereof should and might be those which were mentioned and set forth against the said places, respectively, in the said Schedule, according as the word "free" or the said rate of postage should be mentioned or set forth against the said places respectively in the said Schedule.

And whereas, in and by the said Schedule, to the said recited Warrant annexed, British newspapers were authorised to be transmitted by the post from the United Kingdom to Prussia, or any foreign country, via Prussia, by packet boat "free," and by private ship at the British rate of postage of one penny each.

And whereas it is expedient to alter the regulation and rate for the transmission, by the post, of the said last-mentioned newspapers, and to authorize the transmission thereof, by the post, at a uniform British rate of postage of one penny each, in manner hereinafter mentioned:—

I Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us, in and by the said several hereinbefore recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners, by the authority of the statute in that