

*Admiralty, 19th May, 1857.*

The following promotions, dated the 14th instant, consequent on the death, on the 13th instant, of Admiral of the White the Right Honourable Lord William FitzRoy, K.C.B., have this day taken place :

Admiral of the Blue Richard Thomas to be Admiral of the White.

Vice-Admiral of the Red Sir George Francis Seymour, K.C.B., G.C.H., to be Admiral of the Blue.

Vice-Admiral of the White Henry Hope, K.C.B., to be Vice-Admiral of the Red.

Vice-Admiral of the Blue Sir Augustus William James Clifford, Bart., C.B., to be Vice-Admiral of the White.

Rear-Admiral of the Red Francis Erskine Loch to be Vice-Admiral of the Blue.

Rear-Admiral of the White the Honourable Sir Montagu Stopford, K.C.B., to be Rear-Admiral of the Red.

Rear-Admiral of the Blue Frederick Thomas Michell, C.B., to be Rear-Admiral of the White.

Captain William Frederick Lapidge,

Captain James Brasier,

Captain Robert Contart M'Crea,

to be Rear-Admirals on the Reserved Half-pay List.

Captain Michael Quin to be Rear-Admiral of the Blue.

The following Captains on the Retired List have also been promoted to be Retired Rear-Admirals on the terms proposed in the London Gazette of the 1st September, 1846, without increase of pay :

Captain William Slaughter, K.H.

Captain Thomas Gill.

Captain William Allan Herringham.

Captain Robert Gordon.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Worcester.*

*Worcestershire Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.*

John Swinton Isaac, Gent., to be Cornet.

#### TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS an Act of Parliament was passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage."

And whereas another Act of Parliament was 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."

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said two before-mentioned 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, and by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided, bearing date the 22nd day of February, 1855, order and direct that all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial

Parliament or the Colonial Legislatures, might be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the several places mentioned and set forth in the Schedule B to the said now reciting Warrant annexed; and that all such respective packets should be so transmitted in conformity with, and under, and subject to, the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions thereinafter mentioned and contained. And that the single rate of postage for the transmission thereof should be that which was mentioned and set forth against the said places respectively in the said Schedule B. And that all such respective packets so transmitted should be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage thereinafter mentioned.

And whereas it is expedient to extend the provisions of the said recited Warrant of the 22nd day of February, 1855, except as hereinafter mentioned, to packets of a like kind to be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the colonies of the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, and Vancouver's Island.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said two hereinbefore recited Acts of Parliament, 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 case made and provided, order and direct, that all packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed votes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, or any of the colonial Legislatures, may be transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any part of the colonies respectively of the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, and Vancouver's Island respectively, and that on every such packet, so transmitted under the provisions of this Warrant as aforesaid, if not exceeding half a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for the transmission thereof as aforesaid, the uniform single rate of postage of sixpence; and that on every such packet exceeding half a pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid such progressive and additional rates of postage as are directed to be charged, taken, and paid on and in respect of the several packets mentioned and contained in, and authorised to be transmitted by the post under the provisions of the said recited Warrant of the 22nd day of February, 1855.

And we do further order and direct, that the terms "books," "publications," or "works of literature or art," herein used, shall, for the purposes of this Warrant, have the like meaning, and include the same articles and things in all respects, as are mentioned and described to be meant and included by the like terms used in the said Warrant, bearing date the 22nd day of February, 1855.

And we do further order and direct, that all such respective packets to be transmitted by the post under the provisions of this present Warrant, shall be so transmitted in conformity with, and under, and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions contained in the said recited Warrant of the 22nd day of February, 1855, with respect to the several packets therein mentioned (except such as relate exclusively to packets posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to the East Indies or New South Wales, or posted in the East Indies or New South Wales, addressed to the United Kingdom), and that all such respec-