

*Admiralty, 2nd December, 1858.*

The following promotions, dated the 24th ultimo, have this day taken place, consequent on the death, on the 23rd ultimo, of Vice-Admiral of the White the Right Honourable Edmund, Lord Lyons, G.C.B., K.C.H., G.C. St. M. and St. G., &c. :

Vice-Admiral of the Blue Sir James Hanway Plumridge, K.C.B., to be Vice-Admiral of the White.

Rear-Admiral the Right Honourable Charles Philip, Earl of Hardwicke, on the Reserved Half-pay List, to be Vice-Admiral on the Reserved Half-pay List.

Rear-Admiral of the Red Sir Henry Ducie Chads, K.C.B., to be Vice-Admiral of the Blue.

Rear-Admiral of the White Sir Thomas Hastings, Knt., C.B., to be Rear-Admiral of the Red.

Rear-Admiral of the Blue Robert Smart, K.H., to be Rear-Admiral of the White.

Captain Nicholas Cory to be Rear-Admiral on the Reserved Half-pay List.

Captain John Shepherd to be Rear-Admiral of the Blue.

Retired Rear-Admiral George Ourry Lempriere to have the rank and title of Retired Vice-Admiral, in pursuance of the Order in Council of 7th May, 1858.

*Admiralty, 15th November, 1858.**Corps of Royal Marines.*

Gentleman Cadet Herbert Everitt to be Second Lieutenant.

*Commission signed by the Queen.**Oxfordshire Regiment of Militia.*

William Wykeham Holloway, Esq., to be Paymaster, vice Carter, resigned. Dated 5th September, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Oxford.**Oxfordshire Regiment of Militia.*

Lieutenant Frederick Walter Aston to be a Captain, vice Lambert resigned. Dated 27th November, 1858.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets.**King's Own Light Infantry Regiment of Militia.*

Henry John Hunter, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Baugh, resigned. Dated 22nd November, 1858.

James Henry Morrell, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Kulbach, promoted. Dated 22nd November, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Somerset.**West Somerset Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.*

William Haggett Richards, junr., Gent., to be Cornet, vice Seymour, promoted. Dated 29th November, 1858.

*Royal Ayrshire Rifles.**Notification by Her Majesty's Commissioners of Lieutenancy for the County of Ayr.*

Her Majesty has been pleased to direct that Ensign Joseph Booth Gretton, who has absented himself from the recent training of the Regiment, and disobeyed the orders of his Commanding Officer, shall be removed from the strength of the Regiment from 30th November, 1858.

**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," power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from time to time by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage payable by law, on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postages according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant.

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury 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."

And whereas certain powers are also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury 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."

And whereas a treaty hath been lately entered into between Her Majesty and the Emperor of Hayti, for regulating the communications by post between their respective dominions; and it is expedient for the better carrying out of the same, that certain regulations should be made, in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts, and every 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, direct and declare as follows:

1. On every letter, not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Hayti, and on every letter not exceeding one half of an ounce in weight, posted in Hayti, addressed to the United Kingdom, transmitted direct by British packet-boat between the United Kingdom and Hayti, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of postage of six pence.

2. On every letter, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by British packet-boat between a port in Hayti and any other port, whether in Hayti or any other country, island, or place, without passing through the United Kingdom, there shall be charged and taken an uniform rate of postage of four pence.