

Royal Ayrshire Rifles.

Notification. — Ensign Charles Birdwood, having absented himself without leave from the recent training of his Regiment, is removed from the strength of it from this date. Dated 17th February, 1859.

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, or inland 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 postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

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," further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and power is also given to the Postmaster-General (amongst other things), to collect and receive the foreign and colonial postage charged or chargeable on any letter sent by the post, and also with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to require the postage, British, colonial, or foreign, of any letter sent by the post, to be prepaid, either in money or in stamps, as he might think fit, on the same being put into the Post-office.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have, by divers Warrants under their hands, fixed, made, and established, certain rates of British postage, payable on the transmission by the post of certain colonial letters therein respectively mentioned.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain other Warrant under their hands, bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, did make regulations for the prepayment of the several rates of postage, payable on letters posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to any of the Colonies therein mentioned, and on letters posted in any of such Colonies, addressed to the United Kingdom.

And whereas it is expedient to extend the provisions of the said last-mentioned Warrant to letters posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Canada, and to letters posted in Canada, addressed to the United Kingdom.

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, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this present 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 as follows; that is to say:

1. On every letter posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Canada, and on every letter posted in Canada, addressed to the United Kingdom, the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted.

2. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom addressed to Canada, without any postage having been paid thereon, every such letter shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of sixpence.

3. If any letter shall be posted in Canada, addressed to the United Kingdom, without any postage having been paid thereon, every such letter shall be forwarded charged with the amount of the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted, together with a further and additional rate of postage of sixpence.

4. If any letter shall be posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Canada, or be posted in Canada, addressed to the United Kingdom, and the postage paid thereon shall be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such letter would be liable under or by virtue of the regulations in force relating thereto, every such letter shall be forwarded, charged with the amount of the difference between the postage paid thereon and the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted, together together with a further and additional rate of postage of sixpence.

5. The several terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

6. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may, by Warrant under their hands, duly made at any time hereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions, or regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations, in lieu thereof.

7. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of April, one-thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the tenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

*T. Edwd. Taylor.
Henry Whitmore.*

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS certain powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, 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," and by another Act, 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 by another Act, passed in the eighteenth year of the