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

1st Subdivision Caithness Artillery Volunteers.

David Smith, Gent., to be First Lieutenant.

James Craig, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant.

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

2nd Company of Banffshire Rifle Volunteers. (Banff.)

Thomas Adam, Gent., to be Captain. Dated 18th April, 1860.

Henry Alexander Rannie, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 18th April, 1860.

George Cumming, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 18th April, 1860.

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

Haddington, Berwick, Linlithgow, and Peebles Regiment of Militia Artillery.

Lieutenant Sir Samuel Stirling, Bart, to be Captain, vice Shairp, promoted. Dated 19th April, 1860.

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

Artillery Battalion of the Royal Sussex Militia.

Captain William A. St. Clair to be Major, vice Chester, resigned. Dated 16th April, 1860.

7th Sussex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Henry Padwick, junior, Esq., to be Ensign. Dated 16th April, 1860.

[The following Appointment is substituted for that which appeared in the Gazette of the 17th April instant.]

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Sussex.

15th Sussex Rifle Volunteers.

Augustine Fitz Gerald, Esq., to be Lieutenant. Dated 9th April, 1860.

## TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty, for the regulation of the duties of postage certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed and were made chargeable and payable upon, for, and in respect of letters, newspapers, Parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers, transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post. And by the said Act power was given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury (amongst other things) 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 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 of 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 might be payable were

And whereas, the provision, fixing the maximum weight of letters to be sent by the post in the said before-recited Act was repealed, and further powers were given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury in that behalf by another Act of Parliament passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereof, and for other purposes relating to the Post-office.

And whereas it is expedient that regulations should be made for the transmissions by the post of packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature and art, and other printed papers between the United Kingdom and Bremen in the manner hereinafter mentioned and contained.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers vested in us in and by the said two before-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, direct, and declare, as follows:

1. All packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and all packets consisting of printed vetes and proceedings of the Imperial Parliament respectively posted in the United Kingdom, addressed to Bremen or posted at Bremen, addressed to the United Kingdom, may be transmitted by the post between the United Kingdom and Bremen (the sea conveyance being by private ship); and all such respective packets shall be so transmitted in conformity with and under and subject to the several regulations, orders, directions, and conditions hereinafter mentioned and contained; and the single rate of postage (British and foreign) for the transmission of such packets shall be the sum of three pence. And all such respective packets, so transmitted and chargeable with postage as aforesaid, shall be subject to the several progressive and additional rates of postage hereinafter mentioned; that is to

On every such packet, if not exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, for the transmission thereof respectively as aforesaid, the uniform single rate of postage (British and Foreign) of three pence.

And on every such packet exceeding four ounces in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, progressive and additional rates of postage, as follows (that is to say):—

On every such packet, if exceeding four ounces in weight, and not exceeding eight ounces in weight, two rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding eight ounces, and not exceeding one pound in weight, four rates of postage.

And on every such packet, if exceeding one pound, and not exceeding one pound and one half of another pound in weight, six rates of postage.

And for every additional half of a pound in weight, of any such packet above the weight of one pound and one half of another pound in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid, two additional rates of postage; and