T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 3rd A day of November, 1863.

PRESENT,

The Lord President. Earl de Grey and Ripon. Mr. Milner Gibson.

ER Majesty having been pleased to appoint 11 the Right Honourable Robert Montgomery, Lord Belhaven and Hamilton, K.T., to be Lord-Lieutenant of the county of Lanark, his Lordship this day took and subscribed the oath appointed to be taken thereupon instead of the oaths of allegiance, supremacy, and abjuration.

Edmund Harrison.

Foreign Office, October 31, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. John Forbes White as Consul at Aberdeen for His Majesty the King of Hanover.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Henry James Duncan Padday as Consul at Penang ; and of Mr. J. A. Baesjou as Consul at Albany, Western Australia ; for His Majesty the King of the Netherlands.

Whitehall, October 27, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Edmund Catt, of York-place, in the borough of Brighthelmstone, in the county of Sussex, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his sister Elizabeth Willett Catt, late of Newhaven, in the said county of Sussex, Spinster, deceased, take and henceforth use the surname of Willett only, and bear the arms of Willett; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Herald's Office, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect :

And also to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

Whitehall, October 30, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto William Bishton Garnett, of Decker-hill, in the parish of Shiffnal, in the county of Salop, and of Haughton Hall, in the parish of Bunbury, in the county palatine of Chester, Clerk, Master of Arts, son of William Garnett, late of Haughton Hall, aforesaid, Clerk, Rector of Tilston. in the said county palatine of Chester, deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a proviso contained in the last will and testament of William Botfield, late of Decker-hill aforesaid, Esquire, deceased, take and henceforth use the surname of Botfield, in addition to and after that of Garnett, and that he and they may bear the arms of Botfield quarterly with those of Garnett ; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the Herald's Office, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect :

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

India Office, 3rd November, 1863.

HER Majesty has been pleased to approve the undermentioned promotions and alterations of rank amongst the Officers of Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces, and of the Bengal Staff Corps:

BREVET.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Vyvyan Cox, Royal Artillery (Bengal), to be Colonel, Major Wil-liam Henry Rodes Green, C.B., Bombay Staff Corps, to be Lieutenant Colonel, Captain St. John O'Neill Muter, Bombay Infantry, to be Major ; in succession to Lieutenant-General R. Blackall, Bengal Infantry, deceased. Dated 21st April, 1863.

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Majors.

Captain Neil Edmonstone Boileau. Dated 5th July, 1863. Captain Henry Rawlins Drew.

Dated 24th August, 1863.

To be Captains.

Lieutenant Francis Atherton Dickens. Dated 1st July, 1863.

Lieutenant William John Ward. Dated 23rd August, 1863.

BENGAL ARMY.

6th Native Infantry.

Lieutenant William Frederick Shaw to be Captain, vice Jerdan, transferred to Invalid Pension List. Dated 26th February, 1863.

General List of Infantry Officers.

Ensign Horace Howell to be Lieutenant, in succession to Gunning, late 14th Native Infantry, deceased. Dated 13th July, 1863.

ALTERATIONS OF RANK.

- Lientenant James Agnew McNeale to take rank
- from 26th February, 1863. Lieutenant Charles Frederick Thomas to take rank from 10th March, 1863.
- Lieutenant Thomas Nicholls to take rank from 15th April, 1863.
- Lieutenant Caledon Charles Brownlow to take rank from 21st April, 1863.
- Lieutenant George Waterhouse to take rank from 30th April, 1863.
- Lieutenant Benjamin Hill Russell to take rank from 10th May, 1863. Lieutenant John Andrias Davidson Gordon to
- take rank from 6th June, 1863.
- Lieutenant Douglas Cowslade Hennessey to take rank from 30th June, 1863.
- Lieutenant Everard Neal Digges La Touche to take rank from 2nd July, 1863.

Medical Officers.

Surgeon Hugh Martin Macpherson to be Surgeon Major. Dated 18th August, 1863.