

War Office, November 28, 1865.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the under-mentioned Officer of Her Majesty's Army, whose claims to the same have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, on account of an Act of Bravery performed by him in New Zealand, as stated against his name; viz:

Regiment.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
18th Regiment	Captain Hugh Shaw Date of Act of Bravery, January 24, 1865.	For his gallant conduct at the skirmish near Nukumaru, in New Zealand, on the 24th of January last, in proceeding, under a heavy fire, with four Privates of the Regiment, who volunteered to accompany him, to within 30 yards of the bush occupied by the Rebels, in order to carry off a comrade who was badly wounded. On the afternoon of that day, Captain Shaw was ordered to occupy a position about half a mile from the Camp. He advanced in skirmishing order, and, when about 30 yards from the bush, he deemed it prudent to retire to a palisade about 60 yards from the bush, as two of his party had been wounded. Finding that one of them was unable to move, he called for volunteers to advance to the front to carry the man to the rear, and the four Privates referred to accompanied him, under a heavy fire, to the place where the wounded man was lying, and they succeeded in bringing him to the rear.

Admiralty, 27th November, 1865.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Colonel Second-Commandant Hayes Marriott to be Colonel-Commandant, vice March, retired. Dated 21st November, 1865.

Lieutenant-Colonel Augustus Dover Lyddon Farrant to be Colonel Second-Commandant, vice Marriott. Dated 21st November, 1865.

Captain Fleetwood John Richards to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Farrant. Dated 21st November, 1865.

First Lieutenant John Cairncross to be Captain, vice Richards. Dated 21st November, 1865.

Second Lieutenant Osborn Tracey to be First Lieutenant, vice Cairncross. Dated 21st November, 1865.

Admiralty, 24th November, 1865.

Mr. Joseph William Smart has this day been promoted to the rank of First Class Assistant Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 17th November, 1865.

Admiralty, 27th November, 1865.

Commander Charles James Balfour has been this day promoted to the rank of Retired Captain, under the provisions of the Orders in Council of the 1st of August, 1860, and 9th of July, 1864.

Mr. Henry William Masterman has this day been promoted to the rank of First Class Assistant Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 23rd November, 1865.

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

Royal Carmarthen Artillery Militia.

The Honourable Viscount Emlyn to be Lieutenant. Dated 22nd November, 1865.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Durham.

3rd Durham Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Major Edward Temperley Gourley to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Lord Adolphus Vane Tempest, deceased. Dated 10th November, 1865.

Lieutenant Henry Dixon to be Captain. Dated 17th May, 1865.

John George Harrison to be Captain. Dated 10th November, 1865.

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

2nd Hampshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Frederick Liegh to be Lieutenant, vice Harfield, promoted. Dated 22nd November, 1865.

John Neat Pocock to be Ensign, vice Keane, promoted. Dated 22nd November, 1865.

8th Hampshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Henry Baker to be Lieutenant, vice Warner, promoted. Dated 25th November, 1865.

Ensign Dennis Clark to be Lieutenant, vice Gater, resigned. Dated 25th November, 1865.

Frederick Fose to be Ensign, vice Baker, promoted. Dated 25th November, 1865.

James Warner to be Ensign, vice Clark, promoted. Dated 25th November, 1865.