BREVET.

Major William Rennie, V.C., half-pay, late 90th Foot, to have the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel upon retiring on full-pay. Dated 28th March, 1874.

Lieutenant and Deputy Commissary Thomas Taylor, Bengal Establishment, to have the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 28th March, 1874.

S. Purdon, Assistant Superintendent of Army Schools in Bengal, to have the local rank of Lieutenant. Dated 28th March, 1874.

Apothecary Daniel Wedgeberry, retired Bengal Medical Service, to have the honorary and local rank of Surgeon. Dated 28th March, 1874.

Apothecary Gasper De Rozario, Bombay Medical Service, to have the honorary and local rank of Surgeon. Dated 28th March, 1874.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to permit the 19th Hussars to bear on its standard "The Elephant," with the word "Assaye," as well as the word "Niagara," as granted to the old 19th Light Dragoons.

India Office, 27th March, 1874.

HER Majesty has been pleased to permit the undermentioned Officer to resign his Commission:—

MADRAS STAFF CORPS. Captain Arthur Godfrey.

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

John James Hope Johnstone, Esq., younger, M.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 23rd March, 1874.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Orkney and Zetland.

James Traill, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 4th March, 1874.

Whitehall, February 12, 1874.

The Right Honourable John Duke, Lord Coleridge, Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at Westminster, has appointed Richard Leigh, of Wigan, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, to be one of the Perpetual Commissioners for taking the acknowledgments of deeds to be executed by married women, under the Act passed for the abolition of fines and recoveries, and for the substitution of more simple modes of assurance, in and for the county of Lancaster.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871. CORSHAM FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Justices sitting in Petty Sessions in for the Chippenham Division of the county of Wilts, that a Fair has been annually held on the 4th day of September, in the town of Corsham,

n the said division of the said county, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should be shollshed:

And whereas notice of the said representation, and of the time when I should take the same into consideration, has been duly published in pursuance of "The Fairs Act, 1871:"

And whereas, on such representation and consideration, it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should be abolished:

And whereas the Right Honourable the Lord Methuen, as lord or owner of the said Fair and the tolls thereof, has consented in writing that the said Fair should be abolished:

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1871," do hereby order that the Fair which has been annually held on the 4th day of September, in the town of Corsham, in the Chippenham Petty Sessional Division of the county of Wilts, shall be abolished as from the date of this order.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 25th day of March, 1874.

(Signed) Richard Assheton Cross.

Office of the Railway Commissioners, West Front Committee Rooms, House of Lords, March 26, 1874.

THE Commissioners appointed to carry into effect the provisions of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1873, hereby give notice:—

That by the 17th section of that Act "every Railway Company owning or having the management of any canal or part of a canal" is required "at all times to keep and maintain such canal or part, and all the reservoirs, works and conveniences thereto belonging thoroughly repaired and dredged and in good working condition, and to preserve the supplies of water to the same so that the whole of such canal or part may be at all times kept open and navigable for the use of all persons desirous to use and navigate the same without any unnecessary hindrance, interruption, or delay."

And that if any person is aware of any contravention of the above recited enactment, and will personally, or in writing, communicate with the Railway Commissioners, at their office, West Front Committee Rooms, House of Lords, London, S.W., stating what the alleged contravention consists in, the Commissioners will forthwith make due enquiry into the matter represented to them.

By order of the Commissioners,

J. H. Balfour Browne, Registrar.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 33.)—England - West Coast— HOLYHEAD.

Alteration in Fog Signal, North Stack.

THE Trinity House, London, has given notice, that from the 31st March, 1874, the following alteration will be made in the time of firing the signal gun from the North Stack during foggy weather, viz.:—

The gun, which has hitherto been fired once every half hour, excepting when the mail packets were approaching, and then every quarter of an hour, will, after the date above mentioned, be fired