

Admiralty, 15th November, 1876.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Admiral Sir Alexander Milne, Bart., G.C.B., has been placed on the Retired List from the 11th instant.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, Vice-Admiral Sir John Walter Tarleton, K.C.B., has been placed on the Retired List from the 12th instant; and the following promotions, consequent thereon, have been made from the same date:—

Rear-Admiral the Honourable Arthur Auckland Leopold Pedro Cochrane, C.B., to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain Sir John Edmund Commerell, K.C.B., V.C., to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the foregoing, the following promotion on the Retired List has been made, from the same date:—

Captain Richard William Courtenay to be Rear-Admiral on the Retired List.

*Admiralty, 16th November, 1876.**Royal Marines.*

The undermentioned promotion has taken place in the Royal Marine Artillery, viz.:—

Sergeant Samuel Thacker to be Quartermaster, vice Healey, deceased. Dated 13th October, 1876.

War Office, Pall Mall,

17th November, 1876.

2nd Regiment of Life Guards.

General George Frederick, Viscount Templetown, K.C.B., from Colonel-Commandant 60th Foot, to be Colonel, vice Field-Marshal George, Marquis of Tweeddale, K.T., G.C.B., deceased. Dated 11th October, 1876.

Ordnance Store Department.

Deputy-Commissary J. F. Edwards, from half-pay, late Control Department, to be Deputy-Commissary (Supernumerary). Dated 18th November, 1876.

Crown Office, November 16, 1876.

Days and Places appointed for holding the Winter Assizes:—

Winter Assize County No. 1.—Thursday, November 23, at Manchester.

Winter Assize County No. 2.—Monday, December 11, at Leeds.

Winter Assize County No. 3 and City of Lincoln.—Thursday, November 23, at Lincoln.

Winter Assize County No. 4.—Wednesday, November 29, at Derby.

Winter Assize County No. 5.—Monday, December 4, at Warwick.

Winter Assize County No. 6 and City of Norwich.—Wednesday, November 22, at Norwich.

Winter Assize County No. 7 and City of Worcester.—Saturday, December 16, at Worcester.

Winter Assize County No. 8.—Wednesday, November 22, at Stafford.

Winter Assize County No. 9.—Friday, December 1, at Winchester.

Winter Assize County No. 10 and City of Exeter.—Wednesday, December 13, at Exeter.

Winter Assize County No. 11.—Saturday, December 2, at Chester.

Winter Assize County No. 12.—Monday, December 11, at Swansea.

West Derby Division of Lancashire.—Wednesday, December 6, at Liverpool.

Durham.—Monday, November 27, at Durham.

Northumberland and Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.—Monday, December 4, at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.**GRAY'S THURROCK FAIRS.**

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Justices acting in the Orsett Petty Sessional Division of the county of Essex, that Fairs have been annually held on the 23rd and 24th days of May and on the 20th day of October, respectively, in the parish of Gray's Thurrock, in the said division of the said county, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should be abolished:

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 Fairs should be abolished:

And whereas it appears that there is no owner of the said Fairs:

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 Fairs which have been annually held on the 23rd and 24th days of May and on the 20th day of October, respectively, in the parish of Gray's Thurrock, in the Orsett Petty Sessional Division of the county of Essex, shall be abolished as from the date of this order.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 14th day of November, 1876.

Richard Assheton Cross.

Civil Service Commission,

November 16, 1876.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that the Candidates hereinafter named have passed the Preliminary Examination for Men Clerkships in the Lower Division of the Civil Service; viz.:—

Of the Candidates examined on November 7, 1876—

Barnett, Ernest Frederick
Beatty, Arthur William
Blackwell, James Henry
Brannon, Philip Walter
Chalk, Thomas Cradocke
Clark, William Aitken
Corry, John
Costello, Walter Henry
Cox-Smith, Owen Percival
Curtis, Frederick James
Dingle, Alfred Thomas
Doig, William
Douglas, Frederick
Dow, Henry Archibald
Doyle, Gerald Patrick