

Lieutenant Paul Frederick Michael Baddeley, from the Supernumerary List, to be Captain upon the Supernumerary List. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Lieutenant Edward Thomas Browell to be Captain, vice A. G. Dugdale, placed upon the Supernumerary List. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Lieutenant Constantine Henry Hamilton to be Captain, vice G. C. Wynne, placed upon the Supernumerary List. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Lieutenant Robert Hastings Willoughby Plunkett to be Captain, vice J. H. Blackley, promoted. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Lieutenant Barry Francis Domville to be Captain, vice R. C. Drysdale, promoted. Dated 30th May, 1877.

The dates of promotion of the undermentioned Officers to be altered as follows, viz. :—

Captain R. F. Williams, to 1st February, 1877.

Captain H. Torkington, to 14th February, 1877.

Captain H. J. O. Walker, to 27th February, 1877.

The first Christian name of Colonel Hailes, whose promotion appeared in the Gazette, of 27th March last, is *John*, and not *James*, as therein stated.

The first Christian name of Lieutenant Kent, whose appointment appeared in the Gazette of 27th March last, is *Frederic*, and not *Frederick*, as therein stated.

Riding-Master George Hadcock retires upon half-pay. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Veterinary-Surgeon John Field, half-pay, resigns his Commission. Dated 22nd April, 1877.

BREVET.

Major-General Frank Turner, C.B., Royal (late Bengal) Artillery, to be Lieutenant-General, vice J. W. Croggan, Colonel-Commandant Royal (late Madras) Artillery, deceased. Dated 4th May, 1877.

Colonel John Desborough, C.B., retired full-pay, Royal Artillery, to have the honorary rank of Major-General. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Colonel John Everett Thring, retired full-pay, Royal Artillery, to have the honorary rank of Major-General. Dated 30th May, 1877.

Riding-Master George Hadcock, half-pay, Royal Artillery, to have the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 30th May, 1877.

MEMORANDUM.

Major William Norton Perissé, half-pay, Royal Artillery, has been permitted to commute his retired allowance. Dated 7th May, 1877.

EXCHEQUER BILLS.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice to the holders of Exchequer Bills issued under the authority of the Act 29 Vic., c. 25, and dated the 11th June, 1876, that the Interest thereon for the half-year ending on the 11th June, 1877, will be payable at the Bank of England, on and after the 11th June next; and that the Interest of such Exchequer Bills for the following half-year, to December, 1877, will be at the rate of two and a half per centum per annum.

All holders of Exchequer Bills dated the 11th June, 1876, who intend to demand payment of the principal sums therein contained at the expiration of the first year of their currency, must leave the said Bills at the Bank of England for exami-

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nation, not later than the 8th June next, between the hours of ten and two; and payment of the said principal sums will be made at the Bank on and after the 11th day of June next.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall,
May 29, 1877.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875 (38 Vic., c. 17).

WHEREAS by Section 68 of the above-named Act, it is provided as follows :—

“The Council of any Borough which is assessed to the county rate of any county by the Justices of such county, and the Commissioners of any Improvement District, may, by order of a Secretary of State made upon the application of such Council or Commissioners, and published in the London Gazette, be declared to be a Local Authority for the purposes of this Act, and thereupon shall become a Local Authority accordingly for such part of their borough or district as is not included in any harbour, to the exclusion of the Justices in Petty Sessions :”

And whereas an application has been made to me by the Town Council of the borough of Macclesfield to be declared a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act, in accordance with the provision aforesaid.

Now I, the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby, in virtue of the powers contained in the said section, declare the said Town Council of the borough of Macclesfield to be a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act.

Richard Assheton Cross.

Whitehall, May 28, 1877.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.

BRENTWOOD PLEASURE FAIRS.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Christopher J. H. Tower, Esq., as owner, that Pleasure Fairs have been annually held on the 18th and 19th days of July, and on the 15th and 16th days of October, respectively, in the High-street of the town of Brentwood, in the parish of Brentwood, in the county of Essex, 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 :

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 Pleasure Fairs which have been annually held on the 18th and 19th days of July, and on the 15th and 16th days of October, respectively, in the High-street of the town of Brentwood, in the parish of Brentwood, in the county of Essex, shall be abolished as from the date of this order.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this
26th day of May, 1877.

Richard Assheton Cross.