

inspection) 3 of which shall have been battalion drills, as will with the number performed in the previous year amount to 62.

3rd and 4th Years. If present at inspection, 9 company and battalion drills (including the inspection), of which 3 at least shall have been battalion drills. If absent from inspection with leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness duly certified, 11 company and battalion drills, of which 3 at least shall have been battalion drills.

Ordinary volunteers when they have completed the 60 or 62 drills, as the case may be, during the two years specified above, and have been returned four times as efficient:—

(a.) *If present at inspection*, 7 company and battalion drills, including the inspection.

(b.) *If absent from inspection* with leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness duly certified, 9 company and battalion drills.

Squad drills, at which not less than 4 rank and file are present, may be reckoned when necessary to complete the number of drills. But, when so reckoned, they can only be counted, in the proportion of *three* squad drills in lieu of *one* company drill. When counted, the number of battalion, company, and squad drills respectively attended must be stated on the certificate granted to the volunteer.

To constitute a battalion drill reckoning towards efficiency, 80 at least of all ranks (exclusive of band) must be present, of whom not less than 16 must be officers and sergeants.

Attendance at a brigade drill or a review may be counted as a battalion drill.

To constitute a company drill reckoning towards efficiency, 16 at least of all ranks (exclusive of band) must be present, of whom not less than 2 must be officers and sergeants, or officers or sergeants.

† This paragraph applies only to recruits. In the case of other volunteers the paragraph may be struck out.

‡ Strike out the paragraph which does not apply to the case of the volunteer concerned. A volunteer who fulfils the requirements of paragraph (b) need not attend target practice every year.

§ Here insert 20, 40, or 60, as the case may be, and if a volunteer after firing 60 rounds remains in the 3rd class, strike out the last six words.

|| Here insert "*present at*" or "*absent from*," as the case may be. If absent, it must be stated whether with leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness duly certified. If enrolled after the date of inspection, strike out paragraph, and so state.

Foreign Office, August 10, 1880.

HER Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received the following Despatch from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Buenos Aires dated July 6, 1880:—

My LORD, *Buenos Aires, July 6, 1880.*

A DECREE of the President, dated yesterday, has been published in to-day's papers, declaring the ports of Buenos Aires and Ensenada open to Commerce of export and import from to-day's date.

The Governor of the Province has given orders that the offices of the Head of the Port be made over to the National Authorities.

I have, &c.,

EDWIN H. EGERTON.

The Right Hon. Earl Granville, K.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

Buckingham Palace, August 9, 1880.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Captain Arthur John Bigge, Royal Artillery, to be Assistant Keeper of the Privy Purse and Assistant Private Secretary to Her Majesty.

Whitehall, August 10, 1880.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland granting unto Stephen Isaacson Tucker, Esq., Rouge Croix Pursuivant of Arms, the office of Somerset Herald, vacant by the decease of James Robinson Planché, Esq.

Crown Office, August 9, 1880.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

City of Liverpool.

Claud John Hamilton, Esq. (commonly called Lord Claud John Hamilton), in the place of John William Ramsay (commonly called Lord Ramsay), now Earl of Dalhousie, called up to the House of Peers as Baron Ramsay.

Westminster, August 6, 1880.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Taxes Management Act, 1880.

Epping Forest Act, 1880.

Metropolis Improvement Schemes Modification Act, 1880.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Eastbourne, &c.) Act, 1880.

Inclosure (Llanfair Hills) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1880.

Rickmansworth Extension Railway Act, 1880.

North British and Yoker Railway Companies Act, 1880.

East Norfolk Railway Act, 1880.

Clyde Lighthouses Act, 1880.

Rathmines and Rathgar Water Act, 1880.

Burton-upon-Trent Corporation Act, 1880.

Great Northern Railway Act, 1880.

Great Western Railway Act, 1880.

King's Lynn Corporation Act, 1880.

Liverpool Corporation Waterworks Act, 1880.

Liverpool United Gaslight Company's Act, 1880.

London and North Western Railway Act, 1880.

Midland Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1880.

Oldham Improvement Act, 1880.

Banbury and Cheltenham Direct Railway Act, 1880.

Dagenham and District Farmers (Optional) Sewage Utilization Act, 1880.

Woodside and South Croydon Railway Act, 1880.

Black Sluice Drainage Act, 1880.

Liverpool and Birkenhead Subway Act, 1880.

River Witham Outfall Improvement Act, 1880.

War Office, Pall Mall,

10th August, 1880.

7th Dragoon Guards, Gentleman Cadet Cecil Jackson, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant, vice F. J. Murphy, promoted. Dated 11th August, 1880.

2nd Dragoons, Honorary Queen's Cadet Francis Henry Toovey Hawley, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant; vice J. C. Hamilton, promoted. Dated 11th August, 1880.