

other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

1. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty; and words in this Order have the same meaning as in the Act of 1878.

2. Animals exposed for sale at the Metropolitan Cattle Market, at Islington, in the Metropolis, shall not be moved out of the area of such Market (including the lairs within that area), but shall be slaughtered within that area, except as follows :

Animals may be moved to a slaughter-house for slaughter, provided that in the case of cattle they shall be marked previously to their being so moved by clipping the hair off the end of the tail.

3. Animals so moved out of the area of the Market shall be slaughtered within ten days of their being so moved.

4.—(a.) If any cattle required by this Order to be marked are not so marked, the person for the time being in charge thereof shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1878.

(b.) If any animal required by this Order to be slaughtered is not so slaughtered, the purchaser or owner thereof or his agent (as the case may be) shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1878.

(c.) If an animal is moved in contravention of the provisions of this Order, the owner thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, or conveying the animal, and the company or person removing or conveying it, shall each, according to and in respect of his or their own acts, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1878.

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

WHEREAS We deem it expedient to revise the rules for the promotion and relative rank and allowances of Our Indian Medical Service, Our will and pleasure is that Our Warrants of 10th May, 1873, and 14th September, 1876, be cancelled, and that from and after the date of this Warrant the following rules shall be established, and that by these rules Our Viceroy and Governor-General in Council, and the Governors in Council of Madras and Bombay respectively, shall be governed.

1. The grades of Medical Officers in Our Indian Military Forces shall be five in number, viz. :—

1. Surgeon-General.
2. Deputy Surgeon-General.
3. Brigade Surgeon.
4. Surgeon-Major.
5. Surgeon.

2. The relative rank of the Medical Officers of Our Indian Military Forces shall be as follows :

Surgeon-General as Major-General, according to the date of his Commission.

Deputy Surgeon-General as Colonel, according to the date of his Commission.

Brigade Surgeon as Lieutenant-Colonel, according to the date of his Commission, or according to the date upon which he completed 20 years' service as Surgeon and Surgeon-Major.

Surgeon-Major as Major, according to the date of his Commission, and, after 20 years' service as Surgeon and Surgeon-Major, as Lieutenant-Colonel.

Surgeon as Captain, according to the date of his Commission.

3. Such relative rank shall carry with it all

precedence and advantages attaching to the rank with which it corresponds [except as regards the presidency of courts-martial, where Our will and pleasure is that the senior combatant Officer be always president], and shall regulate the choice of quarters and the rates of prize money.

4. A Surgeon shall be promoted to Surgeon-Major on completion of 12 years' service from date of first Commission.

5. In cases, however, of emergency, or when the good of the service renders such alteration desirable, it shall be competent for the Secretary of State for India, on the recommendation of Our Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Council, to shorten the period of service above-mentioned, in such manner as he shall deem fit and expedient.

6. All promotion from the rank of Surgeon-Major to that of Brigade Surgeon shall be given by selection for ability and merit.

7. All promotion from the rank of Brigade Surgeon to that of Deputy Surgeon-General, and from the rank of Deputy Surgeon-General to that of Surgeon-General shall be given by selection for ability and merit, and the grounds of such selection shall be stated to Us in writing, and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State for India in Council.

8. With a view to maintain the efficiency of the service, all Medical Officers of the ranks of Surgeon-Major and Brigade Surgeon shall be placed on the Retired List when they shall have attained the age of 55 years, and all Surgeons-General and Deputy Surgeons-General when they shall have attained the age of 60 years; but as respects Surgeons-Major and Brigade Surgeons who entered the service prior to the 13th January, 1860, this rule shall be relaxed, and an Officer who has attained the age of 55 years, without having obtained the rank of Deputy Surgeon-General, shall be permitted to remain in the service for three years more, on his perfect competency and fitness being certified in such manner as Our Secretary of State for India may direct. In any special case where it would appear to be for the good of Our Service that the Officer should continue in employment, he may be so continued, subject in each case to the sanction of Our Secretary of State for India in Council.

9. Medical Officers shall be entitled to all the allowances granted to Our Indian Military Forces on account of wounds and injuries received in action, as combatant Officers holding the same relative ranks.

10. Their families shall in like manner be entitled to all the allowances granted, under existing regulations, to the families of combatant Officers holding the same relative ranks.

11. A Medical Officer, retiring on a pension after a service of 20 years and upwards, may, if recommended for the same by the Government of his Presidency, receive a step of honorary rank, but without any consequent increase of pay.

12. Six of the most meritorious Medical Officers of the service shall be named Our Honorary Physicians, and six Our Honorary Surgeons.

13. It is further Our will and pleasure that the promotions to the rank of Brigade Surgeon made in the first instance under this Our Warrant shall have effect from the 27th November, 1879.

Given at Our Court at *Balmoral*, this sixteenth day of *November*, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, and in the forty-fourth year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's command,
Hartington.