

BREVET.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Joseph McMahon, Royal (late Madras) Artillery, to be Colonel. Dated 27th April, 1881.

MEMORANDUM.

Major-General John Henry Brown, retired, Royal Artillery, has been permitted to commute his pension. Dated 20th May, 1881.

India Office, 10th June, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of the transfer of the undermentioned Officer to the Half-pay List of the Staff Corps:—

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

Captain Thomas Francis Stillwell. Dated 10th June, 1881.

The following appointment to his Personal Staff has been made by the Viceroy and Governor-General:—

Lieutenant A. G. A. Durand, Bengal Staff Corps, to be an Extra Aide-de-Camp. Dated 21st March, 1881.

The following appointments to the Staff have been made by the Government of India:—

Lieutenant-Colonel H. A. Little, Bengal Staff Corps, Assistant Quartermaster-General, to be First Assistant Quartermaster-General, vice Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. Chapman, R.A., resigned. Dated 17th February, 1881.

Captain J. E. Baines, 6th Foot, to be a Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General for Musketry, vice Major R. S. Lemon, 14th Foot, rejoined his Battalion. Dated 10th March, 1881.

To be Brigade-Majors.

Major H. O. Cumberlege, Bengal Infantry, vice Major J. S. Irvine, whose term of Staff service has expired. Dated 18th March, 1881.

Captain T. Blake-Humfrey, 8th Foot, vice Major H. T. Jones, whose term of Staff service has expired. Dated 22nd March, 1881.

Captain C. M. Stockley, 9th Foot. Dated 23rd March, 1881.

The appointment of Major-General Sir M. A. S. Biddulph, K.C.B., R.A., to the Divisional Staff of the Army in Bengal, dates from the 1st December, 1880, and not from the 14th December, as stated in the London Gazette of the 18th February, 1881.

The appointment of Lieutenant-Colonel G. Briggs, Madras Staff Corps, to be Deputy Judge-Advocate in Madras, dates from 16th January, 1880, and not 1881, as stated in the London Gazette of the 10th May, 1881.

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

Charles John Fletcher, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 30th May, 1881.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. All Treasury Warrants at any time heretofore made relating to the conveyance by post of postal packets (which term in this Warrant means and includes all letters, post cards, newspapers,

packets of commercial papers, packets of printed papers, and pattern or sample packets) between the United Kingdom and the Republics of Hayti, Paraguay, and the United States of Colombia respectively, and also between any British Colony or any Foreign Country on the one hand and the Republics of Hayti, Paraguay, and the United States of Colombia respectively on the other hand, are hereby annulled to the extent to which such Warrants respectively relate to the several matters aforesaid.

2. The rates of postage and additional sum for registration now chargeable and payable by the authority of the Treasury Warrant of the 29th day of May, 1879, or the schedules thereunder written, on postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post from or to Salvador to or from any other country or place affected by the provisions of such last-mentioned Warrant of the 29th day of May, 1879, and all regulations and conditions as to the posting, forwarding, conveyance, and delivery of postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post, now in force and applicable thereto, shall extend and apply to all postal packets conveyed or delivered for conveyance by post from or to the Republics of Hayti, Paraguay, and the United States of Colombia respectively, to or from any other country or place affected by the provisions of such last-mentioned Warrant of the 29th day of May, 1879, in the same way as if the Republics of Hayti, Paraguay, and the United States of Colombia respectively, had been named in such last-mentioned Warrant of the 29th day of May, 1879, or the schedules thereunder written.

3. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1881.

Dated this thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

John Holms,

Charles C. Cotes,

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Henry Fuwcell,

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 82.)—MEDITERRANEAN—GREECE.

Gulf of Corinth—Torpedo Ground.

THE Greek Government has given notice, dated 26th April, 1881, that torpedoes have been laid down for exercise in the Gulf of Corinth, between Rhio and Antirhio.

Commanders of vessels therefore entering the Gulf of Corinth, must take a pilot at Patras; addressing themselves to the Harbour Master at that place.

Vessels leaving should discharge their pilots at Patras.

By command of their Lordships,

Fredk. J. Evans, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,

20th May, 1881.

This Notice temporarily affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Gulf of Patras, No. 1676; Gulf of Corinth, No. 1600. Also, Mediterranean Pilot, Vol. III, 1880, page 325.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 83.)—FRANCE—NORTH COAST.

(1.) *Havre—Provisional Change in Position of Light on South Pier.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 17th April, 1881, that during the process of destroying and reconstructing the south pier