India Office, 14th June, 1881.

THE Queen has approved of the retirement from the Service of the undermentioned Officers of Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces :-

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel John Boyd Saunders, of the Bengal Army. Dated 17th January, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel James Thomas Norgate, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 30th December, 1880.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel James Thomas Harris, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 7th April, 1881. Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Robert

Havard Price, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 7th May, 1881.

Licutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Richard Collyer Andrée Marshall, of the Madras Staff Corps. Dated 21st March, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel John James Elder, of the Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 31st March, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Kincaid Johnston Canning Mackenzie, of the Bengal Army. Dated 1st April, 1881.

Surgeon - Major William Niven, M.D., of the Bombay Army. Dated 14th April, 1881.

The Queen has approved of the resignation of the Service of the undermentioned Officer of Her Maiesty's Indian Forces :-

Surgeon Henry Ogilvy Stuart, of the Bengal Army. Dated 31st March, 1881.

BREVET.

The undermentioned Officers are granted a step of honorary rank on retirement :-

To be Major-General.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel John Boyd Saunders, of the Bengal Army. Dated 17th January, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel James Thomas Norgate, of the Bengal Staff Corps.

Dated 30th December, 1880. Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel James Thomas Harris, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 7th April, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Robert Havard Price, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 7th May, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Richard Collyer Andrée Marshall, of the Madras Staff Corps. Dated 21st March, 1881.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel John James Elder, of the Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 31st March, 1881.

To be Colonel.

Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Kincaid Johnston Canning Mackenzie, of the Bengal Army. Dated 1st April, 1881.

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

Elward Packard, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 8th June, 1881.

> THE FAIRS ACT, 1873. TODMORDEN SEPTEMBER FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Justices acting in the Middleton Petty Sessional Division of the county of Lancaster, that a Fair has been annually held at Todmorden, in the said division of the said county, on the 27th, 28th, and 29th days of September,

and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the days for the holding of such Fair should be altered, and that instead of being held as aforesaid, such Fair should in future be held on the last Thursday in the month of September, and the next following Friday and Saturday, in each year:

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, 1873:"

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 days for the holding of the said Fair should be altered as aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1873," do hereby order that the Fair which has been annually held at Todmorden, in the Middleton Petty Sessional Division of the county of Lancaster, on the 27th, 28th, and 29th days of September, shall in future be held on the last Thursday in the month of September, and the next following Friday and Saturday, in each year.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 10th day of June, 1881.

W. V. Harcourt.

Civil Service Commissioners, June 13, 1881.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that at an Open Competitive Examination for one situation as Clerk (Lower Division) in the India Audit Office, held in London on the 23rd May, 1881, and following days, under the Special Regulations dated 20th May, 1878, the undermentioned Candidate obtained the first place :-

Chipperfield, Albert Edward

NOTICE TO MARINERS. (No. 90.)-England-East Coast. THAMES RIVER ENTRANCE.

(1.) Buoy and Light-vessel marking Wreck off Maplin Lighthouse.

THE Trinity House, London, has given notice, dated 23rd May, 1881, that a buoy has been placed 15 fathoms S.E. by S. from the "Norval," sunk off Maplin Lighthouse :-

The buoy lies in 11 fathoms at low water spring tides, with the following bearings and distances,

Maplin Lighthouse, N.W. by N., distant foths of a mile.

Maplin Spit Buoy, N. by W. 1/2 W., distant 4ths of a mile.

East Maplin Buoy, N. by E. 3 E., distant 10 ths of a mile.

Middle Barrows Buoy, S.W. by W., distant

sths of a mile.
The lower mast heads of the wreck are about 5 feet under water.

A wreck-marking vessel has been placed 30 fathoms N.W. by N. from the wreck, exhibiting marks by day and lights by night-in accordance with the regulations indicating that she should be passed on that side on which two balls or two lights are shown.

West Coast—Bristol Channel.—King Road. (2.) Flatness Rocks Buoy Removed.

Also, dated 20th May, 1881, that the position of Flatness Rocks being now sufficiently indicated by marks on the shore, the buoy heretofore moored near them has been removed.