

*Westminster, July 18, 1881.*

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

An Act for further regulating the transmission of newspapers.

Married Women's Property (Scotland) Act, 1881.

Post Office (Land) Act, 1881.

Bankruptcy and Cessio (Scotland) Act, 1881.

Court of Bankruptcy (Ireland) Officers and Clerks Act, 1881.

Summary Jurisdiction (Process) Act, 1881.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Askern, &c.) Act, 1881.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Horfield, &c.) Act, 1881.

Inclosure (Thurstaston Common) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1881.

Land Drainage Supplemental Act, 1881.

Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Birmingham, Tame, and Rea, &c.) Act, 1881.

Gas Orders Confirmation Act, 1881.

Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation Act, 1881.

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1881.

Limerick and Kerry Railway Act, 1881.

Swansea Corporation Loans Act, 1881.

East London Railway Act, 1881.

Ipswich Tramways Act, 1881.

London Sea Water Supply Act, 1881.

Beverley Waterworks Act, 1881.

Boston Dock Act, 1881.

North British and Montrose Railway Companies Amalgamation Act, 1881.

Warehouse Owners Company Limited (Delivery Warrants) Act, 1881.

Seacombe, Hoylake, and Dee Side Railway Act, 1881.

Woking Water and Gas Act, 1881.

Aylesbury and Rickmansworth Railway Act, 1881.

Brighton and Dyke Railway Act, 1881.

Caledonian Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1881.

Standard Bank of British South Africa Limited Act, 1881.

Barrow-in-Furness Corporation Act, 1881.

Bradford Water and Improvement Act, 1881.

Egremont Local Board Waterworks Act, 1881.

Stirling Waterworks Amendment Act, 1881.

Cork, Blackrock, and Passage Railway (Steam Vessels) Act, 1881.

Great Southern and Western Railway Act, 1881.

Greene's Patent Act, 1881.

Parts of Holland and Sutton Bridge Water Act, 1881.

London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (Further Powers) Act, 1881.

Exeter Tramways Act, 1881.

Cheshire Lines Act, 1881.

Elham Valley Light Railway Act, 1881.

City of Glasgow Union Railway Act, 1881.

Great Eastern Railway Act, 1881.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Act, 1881.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (New Works) Act, 1881.

North British Railway (New Tay Viaduct) Act, 1881.

King's Lynn Dock Act, 1881.

Caledonian Railway (Lanarkshire Lines) Act, 1881.

Dublin United Tramways Company Act, 1881.

London and North Western Railway (New Railways) Act, 1881.

Thames Deep Water Dock Act, 1881.

Bray Township Act, 1881.

Gravesend Railway Act, 1881.

Rotherham, Parkgate, and Rawmarsh Tramways Act, 1881.

Swindon and Cheltenham Extension Railway Act, 1881.

Stuckton Bridge Act, 1881.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Hackney Commons) Act, 1881.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Act, 1881.

Leeds Tramways Act, 1881.

Midland Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1881.

Birkenhead Corporation (Gas and Water) Act, 1881.

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Caledonian Railway (Larbert and Grangemouth Connecting Lines) Act, 1881.

Edmonton Local Board (Division of District) Act, 1881.

Great Northern Railway Act, 1881.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1881.

Potteries, Shrewsbury, and North Wales Railway Winding-up Act, 1881.

Swanage Railway Act, 1881.

East London Waterworks Company Act, 1881.

*Admiralty, 15th July, 1881.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 30th April, 1877—  
Engineer John Anderson Ferguson has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

*Admiralty, 16th July, 1881.*

THE undermentioned Engineers have been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority as stated against their names:—

Thomas Burnes, 27th May, 1881.

John Swanson, 9th July, 1881.

*Admiralty, 18th July, 1881.*

IN pursuance of Her Majesty's pleasure and in accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, the following promotion has been made on the Retired List, with seniority of the 10th June, 1881:—

Admiral Sir Alexander Milne, Bart., G.C.B., to be Admiral of the Fleet.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*

*19th July, 1881.*

Royal Artillery, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Roderick Mackenzie to be Colonel, vice H. L. F. Greville, retired. Dated 13th July, 1881.