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Windsor Castle, December 7, 1881.

THE Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on George Christopher Molesworth Birdwood, Esq., C.S.I., M.D., late Bombay Medical Staff, Special Assistant in Revenue Statistics and Commerce Department of the India Office.

Windsor Castle, December 7, 1881.

THE Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Erasmus Wilson, Esq., F.R.S, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Windsor Castle, December 7, 1881.

THE Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Andrew Crombie Ramsay, Esq., LL.D., F.R.S., Director-General of the Geological Survey of the United Kingdom.

Crown Office, December 10, 1881.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

County of Londonderry.

Andrew Marshall Porter, Esq., Her Majesty's Solicitor-General for Ireland, in the place of the Right Honourable Hugh Law, who has accepted the office of Lord High Chancellor of Ireland.

Admiralty, 10th December, 1881.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February,

Commander John Smith Keats has been placed on the Retired List from the 7th instant, with permission to assume the rank and title of Retired Captain from the same date.

Admiralty, 13th December, 1881.

Royal Marine Forces.

THE following promotions, dated 1st July, 1881, to take place under the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council, dated 29th November, 1881:-

Royal Marine Artillery.

Lieutenant - Colonel and Brevet Colonel and Second Commandant Edmund Henry Cox to be Colonel and Second Commandant.

The undermentioned Captains to be Majors :-

Francis Harwood Poore.

Edward Henry Moore.

Francis Hastings Edmund Owen.

Henry Holdsworth Kelly.

Andrew Donald.

Alexander George Anson.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

The undermentioned Lieutenant-Colonels and Second Commandants to be Colonels and Second Commandants:-

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Benjamin Bousfield Herrick.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Philip Harris.

Lieutenant - Colonel Horatio Charles Nelson Blanckley.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Robert William Bland Hunt, A.D.C.

The undermentioned Captains to be Majors : -George Harrie Thorn Colwell. Hugh William Bamber. William Henry Vallack Tom, Charles Frederick La Coste. John Dudley Fosbroke

Sydney Vere Alston. Edward Lee Rose. George Stevens Nash. William Rolt Triscott. Roland Lewis Agassiz. Frederick Robert Beechey. St. Andrew St. John. Edward Willoughby Grenville Byam. John Ignatius Morris. Gerald Altham Heseltine. Henry Seton Bourchier. Robert William Francis Holt. Edward Moulton Messiter.

The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Cal-

Meering Bloomfield Seager (seconded for service as Assistant Civil Commissioner in Cyprus).

Hugh Reginald Borde Owen (since deceased).

Arthur Clement Smyth.

Charles Baker Goodrich Dick.

Lourenço Edye.

Algernon St. Leger Burrowes. John Richmond Jekyll.

William Hutcheson Poë.

Herbert Eyre Robbins.

Francis Macnamara Faulkner.

Cosmo George Gordon.

Henry Byron Woods. William Thompson Adair.

Edward Ernest Pyne.

Henry Octavious Perceval Wright.

Howard Stanley Thompson. James William Walker.

Arthur Montgomery Edward Hayes.

Henry Yeatman Hext. Alfred Oliver de Blaquière Nepe in.

Eustace Edward Godfrey Bird.

Henry Daniel Robinson.

Temple Knollys Byam.

Frank Alexander Newington.

Aylmer Charles Pearson.

Richard Denny.

John Jerome Quill.

Edward Barrington Stephens.

Parkins Hearle.

The following retirements, promotions, and appointments, dated 3rd December, 1881, to take place in the Royal Marine Light Infantry:

The undermentiond Colonels and Second Commandants are placed on the Retired List :-

Benjamin Bousfield Herrick.

Philip Harris.

The undermentioned Lieutenant-Colonels to be Colonels and Second Commandments:

Joseph Hamilton Maskery, vice Herrick.

John Michael de Courcy Meade, vice Harris

The undermentioned Majors to be Lieutenant-Colonels :-

Albert Henry Ozzard, vice Maskery. George Frederic Blake, vice Meade.

The undermentioned Captains to be Majors: -· Henry Bevan Isaacson, seconded for service as Deputy-Governor of a Prison, Liverpool, vice Ozzard.

Henry Fuller, vice Isaacson.

William Taylor Miller, vice Blake.

The undermentioned Quartermasters to have. the honorary and relative rank of Captain. Dated 1st July, 1881 :--

Royal Murine Artillery.

Thomas Morgan.

James Robinson (General Staff).