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

General Police and Improvement (Scotland)

Act, 1882.

Army (Annual) Act, 1882.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands Supplemental Act (Ireland), 1882.

Metropolitan Commons Supplemental Act, 1882. London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway (Capital) Act, 1882.

Maidstone Waterworks Act, 1882.

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, May 1, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister Resident in Chili, enclosing copy of a decree allowing the export of goods from the port of Mollendo in vessels licensed to touch at that port, subject to authorization from the Custom-house of Callao.

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, May 1, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Decree of the Portuguese Government of the 18th August last, permitting all foreign vessels to engage in trade and coasting navigation between the various Portuguese Colonial Provinces, and also between the Ports of the Provinces of Guinea, and of St. Thomas, and Principe, the said foreign vessels being subject to all the rules and regulations now existing or in future to be established for Portuguese vessels.

Admiralty, 28th April, 1882.

Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers. Liverpool Brigade.

Sidney Crowley, Esq., to be Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 28th April, 1882.

Admiralty, 1st May, 1882.

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

Navigating Lieutenant Allen Cornelius Dennys has been placed upon the Retired List of his rank from this date.

Engineer George Horatio Weeks has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 20th April, 1882.

War Office, Pall Mall,

2nd May, 1882.

Royal Engineers, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Richard Hugh Stotherd to be Colonel, vice H. Wray, C.M.G., promoted Major-General. Dated 26th April, 1882.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel George Edward Langham Somerset Sanford to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet Colonel R. H. Stotherd. Dated 26th April, 1882.

MEMORANDA.

Major-General Thomas Lionel John Gallwey, Royal Engineers, to be Lieutenant-General, vice vice J. Fayly, C.B., retired. Dated 26th April,

Colonel Henry Wray, C.M.G., Royal Engineers, to be Major-General, vice T. L. J. Gallwey. Dated 26th April, 1882.

India Office, 2nd May, 1882.

HER Majesty has approved of the following promotions among the Officers of the Staff Corps and Indian Military Forces made by the Governments in India :-

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel. Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Robert Groves Sandeman, K.C.S.I. Dated 8th February, 1882.

To be Captains.

Lieutenant Harry Murray MacKenzie. Dated 8th February, 1882.

Lieutenant Henry Macan Mason. Dated 8th February, 1882. Lieutenant Duncan Chesney. Dated 9th Feb-

ruary, 1882.

BENGAL ARMY.

INFANTRY. To be Major.

Captain and Brevet Major Binfield Wemyss. Dated 20th January, 1882.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major Richard Samuel Roberts. Dâted 20th February, 1882.

To be Captain.

Lieutenant George Hawkes. Dated 19th February, 1882.

BOMBAY STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonels.

Major Elborough Martin Woodcock. Dated 4th February, 1882.

Major Edward William West. Dated 7th February, 1882.

Major William Thomas Brown. Dated 20th February, 1882.

To be Captains.

Lieutenant Henry Snelson Ahmuty Fuller. Dated

Sth February, 1882. Lieutenant Willoughby Pitcairn Kennedy. Dated 8th February, 1882.

Lieutenant Francis Stevenson. Dated 8th February, 1882.

Lieutenant Alfred Astley Pearson. Dated 8th February, 1882. Lieutenant Francis William Staveley Jackson.

Dated 9th February, 1882.

Lieutenant George Francis William MacMahon. Dated 19th February, 1882.

BOMBAY ARMY.

INFANTRY. To be Colonel.

Lieutenant-Colonel Horace Kendal Bushe. Dated 8th February, 1882.

BREVET.

To be Colonel. Dated 5th November, 1880. Lieutenant-Colonel (now Colonel) George Battye Fisher, Bengal Infantry.

Lieutenant-Colonels to be Colonels. Dated 1st July, 1881.

Griffith Turner Jones, Bengal Infantry. Francis Shrubb Iredell, Bombay Infantry. Patrick Carfrae Dalmahoy, Bengal Infantry. Philip Story, Bengal Infantry.

Edward John McNair, Bengal Infantry.

Arthur Phelps, Bombay Infantry.

Augustus Drummond Grant, Madras Infantry. George Edward Henry Beauchamp, Madras Infantry.

Francis Goring Rideout, Madras Infantry. Edward George Dixor, Madras Infantry. Henry Russell Wintle, Bengal Infantry.