Surgeon Major John Colahan, M.D., to be Brigade Surgeon, vice R. Webb, promoted. Dated 16th July, 1884.

Surgeon-Major Thomas Walsh to be Brigade Surgeon, vice J. H. Whittaker, granted retired

pay. Dated 16th July, 1884.

Surgeon-Major David Arthur Leslie, M.D., is granted retired pay, with the honorary rank of Brigade Surgeon. Dated 6th August, 1884.

Army Pay Department, Captain Henry Blake Harward, the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, to be Paymaster. Dated 12th November, 1883.

MEMORANDA.

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry B. Hayward, the Sherwood Foresters (Derbyshire Regiment), to be

Colonel. Dated 4th August, 1881.

Captain and Brevet Major James Fielding Sweeney, half-pay, Staff Officer of Pensioners, has been placed on retired pay, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 26:h June, 1884.

Captain and Brevet Major James Hesketh, half-pay, Staff Officer of Pensioners, has been placed on retired pay, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 3rd June, 1884.

Captain H. H. Keighley, half-pay, retires from the Se vice, receiving a gratuity. Dated 6th

August, 1884.

Quartermaster William James Emby, Royal Artillery, to have the honorary and relative rank

of Captain. Dated 1st July, 1884.

Quartermaster John Hait, late 3rd Battalion, the Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), has been permitted to commute his retired pay. Dated 18th July, 1884.

Honorary Brigade Surgeon John Mangin Waters, late Surgeon-Major, Medical Department, has been permitted to commute his retired pay.

Dated 15th July, 1884.

Assistant-Surgeon Arnold Royle, late Medical Department, has been permitted to commute his retired pay. Dated 14th July, 1884.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

Lieutenant Simpson Duguid resigns his Commission. Dated 6th August, 1884.

War Office, 5th August, 1884. MILITIA.

MEMORANDUM.

HER Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of the Corps of Engineer Militia, hitherto known as the "Hampshire Engineer Mili ia (Submarine Miners)," being in future designated the "Southern Submarine Mining Militia." Dated 1st August, 1884.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.

KIMPTON FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Lord Dacre, as owner, that a Fair has been annually held in the parish of Kimpton, in the Hitchin Petty Sessional Division of the county of Hertford, on or about the third Wednesday in September, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should be abolished:

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, 1871:" 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 said Fair should be abolished:

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1871," do hereby order that the Fair which has been annually held in the parish of Kimpton, in the said Petry Sessional Division of the said county, shall be abolished as from the date of this Order.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this

1st day of August, 1884.

W. V. Harcourt.

Treasury Chambers, August 2, 1884.

THE METROPOLITAN BOARD ()F WORKS LOANS ACT, 1869. 32 and 33 Vict., cap. 102.

WHEREAS, before the passing of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, securities amounting to £2,480,000 were granted with the guarantee of the Treasury under the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement (Loans) Act, 1864 (27 and 28 Vict., cap. 61), and whereas, before the same date securities amounting to £1,250,000 were granted with the guarantee of the Treasury under the Thames Emi ankment and Metropolis Improvement (Loans) Act, 1858 (31 and 32 Vict., cap. 43), and whereas all the said securities have now been paid, the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury hereby declare that all their liability under the guarantees above-mentioned has ceased, and that from the date of the publication of this notice in the London Gazette, the 30th section of the Metropolitan Board of Works Loans Act, 1869, will take effect.

The said Lords Commissioners also give notice, that immediately after the publication of this notice in the London Gazette, they will give directions for the transfer into the name of the Metropolitan Board of Works of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Fund, constituted under the London Coal and Wine Duties Continuance Act, 1861 (24 and 25 Vict., cap. 42), and the Acts amending and continuing the same.

Civil Service Commission, August 2, 1884.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that at an Examination held in London, on the 20th June, 1884, and following days, in pursuance of the Regulations respecting Open Competitive Examinations for Clerkships (Class I) in the Civil Service, dated 23rd February, 1880, and published in the London Gazette of the 24th of the same month, the undermentioned Candidates obtained the first seven places:—

Number in Order of Merit.	Name.
1	Heath, Thomas Little
2	Crowly, Joseph Patrick
3	Simpson, Harry Butler
4	Byrne, William Patrick
5	Davies, Charles Llewelyn
6	Browne, Edward Austin
7	Mann, James Hargrave