

### THE VOLUNTEER MEDICAL STAFF CORPS.

Surgeon and Honorary Surgeon Major Arthur Trehern Norton, from the 12th Middlesex (Civil Service) Rifle Volunteer Corps, to be Surgeon. Dated 22nd August, 1885.

Acting Surgeon Francis Lawrance Stephenson, from the 3rd Volunteer Battalion, the Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), to be Surgeon. Dated 22nd August, 1885.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Warwick.*

Lewis Vivian Loyd, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 11th August, 1885.

### EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875 (38 Vic., c. 17).

WHEREAS by Section 68 of the above-named Act, it is provided as follows:—

"The Council of any Borough which is assessed to the county rate of any county by the Justices of such county, and the Commissioners of any Improvement District, may, by order of a Secretary of State made upon the application of such Council or Commissioners, and published in the London Gazette, be declared to be a Local Authority for the purposes of this Act, and thereupon shall become a Local Authority accordingly for such part of their borough or district as is not included in any harbour, to the exclusion of the Justices in Petty Sessions."

And whereas an application has been made to me by the Council of the borough of Croydon to be declared a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act, in accordance with the provision aforesaid.

Now I, the Right Honourable Sir Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby, in virtue of the powers contained in the said section, declare the said Council of the borough of Croydon to be a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act.

*Richd. Assheton Cross.*

Whitehall, August 18, 1885.

### Civil Service Commission, August 21, 1885.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that the following Regulations have been approved by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, viz.:—

SPECIAL REGULATIONS (Supplementary to the General Regulations issued 8th April, 1872, and amended by subsequent notices in the London Gazette), respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the situation of Junior Clerk in the Office of Woods, &c.

N.B.—*These Regulations are liable to alteration.*

I. The limits of age for these situations are 20 and 30, and Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the Examination.

II. Candidates will be required to show what preliminary training or technical education they have undergone to qualify themselves for a situation of this nature. No Candidate will be eligible who has not had three years' experience as a Clerk in a Solicitor's Office.

III. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz.:—

*Obligatory Subjects:—*

1. Handwriting.
2. Orthography.

3. Arithmetic (to Vulgar and Decimal Fractions).

4. English Composition.

5. Précis.

6. Digesting Returns into Summaries.

7. An elementary knowledge of the law of Real Property, especially the law of Landlord and Tenant.

8. An elementary knowledge of conveyancing.

*Optional Subjects:—*

9. Translation of Latin into English.

10. Geography of the British Isles.

11. History of England.

IV. A fee will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination, according to the scale laid down under the Order in Council of 22nd March, 1879, by notice in the London Gazette of 29th April, 1881.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition for the situation of Junior Clerk in the Office of Woods, &c., will be held in London, under the above Regulations, on Monday, the 5th October, 1885, and following days. The number of situations to be filled will be the number vacant at the time of the Examination.

No person will be admitted to the Examination from whom the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, has not received, on or before the 23rd September, an application in the handwriting of the Candidate on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 138.)—MEDITERRANEAN—ADRIATIC.—  
DALMATIA.

(1.) *Meleda Island—Fixed Light on Pusta Point.*

THE Austro-Hungarian Government has given notice, dated 13th July, 1885, that a fixed light is now exhibited on Pusta Point, entrance to the port of Mezzo Meleda, north coast of Meleda Island:—

The light is a fixed white light, elevated 45 feet above the sea, and should be visible in clear weather from a distance of six miles, illuminating an arc of 126° between the bearings of S. by E.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E. through south, and W. by N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N.

The illuminating apparatus is dioptric, or by lenses.

The light is exhibited from a wooden mast 27 feet high, painted white, surmounted by a small iron crane, situated against the east side of the keeper's dwelling, at a distance of 27 yards from the shore.

Position, lat. 42° 44' 40" N., long. 17° 36' 45" E.

NOTE.—In a north-easterly direction from the light, at a distance of 66 yards from the shore, is the small low rock of Supenak, between which and Pusta Point there is only a passage for small boats.

In order to clear this rock, vessels coming from the north-west should keep at a distance of at least one cable from the light, until the said light bears W. by S.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S.

BLACK SEA.—SOUJAK BAY.

(2.) *Buoyage and Leading Mark.*

The Russian Government has given notice, dated 24th July, 1885, that the following buoys have been laid down, and leading mark erected in Soujak Bay, north-east coast of the Black Sea:—

At the extreme south-east point of the reef projecting from Soujak Point, a red bell buoy in 5½ fathoms, one mile S.E. from the Point.

On Penai Bank, a chequered iron bell buoy in 3 fathoms, 1½ miles S.S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  W. from Penai Light.