

The Manchester Regiment, The following Second Lieutenants have been seconded for service with the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 1st March, 1888:—

F. Shakespear.

A. G. de V. Chichester.

Gentleman Cadet Arthur William Valentine Plunkett, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant H. C. Tytler, seconded. Dated 14th March, 1888.

The York and Lancaster Regiment, Lieutenant A. C. Le Bailly has been seconded for service with the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 1st March, 1888.

The Gordon Highlanders, Captain H. W. D. Denne has been seconded for service on the Staff. Dated 14th January, 1888.

The Royal Irish Rifles, Captain Henry James Seton has been seconded for service as an Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 1st February, 1888.

The Connaught Rangers, The retirement with the honorary rank of Major of Quartermaster and Honorary Captain P. Lacey is postdated to 31st December, 1887.

The Royal Munster Fusiliers, Second Lieutenant Frederic Nuthall Burton has been seconded for service with the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 7th February, 1888.

The Royal Dublin Fusiliers, Second Lieutenant Myles Frederick A. Sexton has been seconded for service with the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 7th February, 1888.

The Rifle Brigade (the Prince Consort's Own), Captain George Francis Leslie has been seconded for service as an Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 1st March, 1888.

2nd West India Regiment, Lieutenant B. Trydell has been seconded for service with the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 1st March, 1888.

Gentleman Cadet John Henry Francis Hutchison Cloran, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant B. Trydell. Dated 14th March, 1888.

Medical Staff, Brigade Surgeon John MacKenzie, M.D., has been granted retired pay. Dated 24th February, 1888.

Ordnance Store Department, Captain J. B. Archdale, Deputy Assistant Commissary-General of Ordnance, from Captain Royal Artillery, to be Deputy Assistant Commissary-General of Ordnance, with the rank of Captain in the Army. Dated 1st March, 1888.

Army Pay Department, Staff Paymaster and Honorary Major J. C. Ross has been granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 10th March, 1888.

Half-Pay, Major Henry Trotter, C.B., from the Royal (late Bengal) Engineers, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 29th July, 1887.

MEMORANDA.

Lieutenant-General Sir Edward Bruce Hamley, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Colonel Commandant, Royal Artillery, who became liable to retirement on account of non-employment, on 25th October, 1887, is exempted from such retirement, under the provisions of Art. 95 of the Royal Warrant of 15th November, 1887, until 31st July, 1890.

Captain Edmund Robert Berkeley, retired pay, has retired from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 16th February, 1888.

Surgeon-Major and Honorary Brigade Surgeon John Anderson, M.D., C.I.E., retired pay, has been allowed to commute his retired pay. Dated 27th February, 1888.

Deputy Commissary and Honorary Captain Samuel Charles Plummer, Madras Establishment, has been granted the honorary rank of Major on retirement. Dated 5th December, 1887.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

Lieutenant Rowland J. Beech, Captain, Warwickshire Yeomanry Cavalry, resigns his Commission. Dated 14th March, 1888.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Aberdeen.

Charles Elphinstone Dalrymple, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

General Sir John Forbes, K.C.B., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

William Duguid Geddes, LL.D., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

William Henderson, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

General Robert William Disney Leith, C.B., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Lieutenant-General Sir Harry Burnett Lumsden, K.C.S.I., C.B., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

George Allan Webbe, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

John Dove Wilson, LL.D., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

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 Town Council of Basingstoke, to be declared a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act, in accordance with the provision aforesaid:

Now I, the Right Honourable Henry Matthews, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do hereby, in virtue of the powers contained in the said section, declare the Town Council to be a Local Authority for the purposes of the said Act.

Henry Matthews.

Whitehall, March 7, 1888.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Acts relating to Her Majesty's Post Office, and in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same) and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

Interpretation Clause.

1. In this Warrant the expression “Parcel” means a Postal Packet which is posted as a Parcel