Treasury Chambers, September 10, 1888.

HER Majesty has been pleased to direct the issue of Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, nominating and appointing, in pursuance of Sections 3 and 6 of the Act 29 and 30 Vic., cap. 39, Richard Mills, Esq., one of the Treasury Officers of Accounts, to be Assistant-Comptroller of the Receipts and Issue of Her Majesty's Exchequer and Auditor-General of Public Accounts, in the place of Sir Charles Ryan, K.C.B., appointed Comptroller and Auditor-General.

Office of the Secretary for Scotland, Dover House, Whitehall, August 25, 1888.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, to appoint Thomas William Leisk Spence, Esq., to be Secretary to the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for Scotland, in the room of William Forbes, Esq., resigned.

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Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, September 8, 1888.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon, reporting that the Sea of China has been declared infected with cholera since 1st July.

Admiralty, 7th September, 1888:

THE following promotions have been made:-Lieutenant Philip Francis Tillard to be Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 30th August, 1888.

Sub-Lieutenants: Edgar Lees,

Edward William Elphinstone Wemyss,

Thomas Legge Barnardiston, to be Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 30th August, 1888.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 30th April, 1877— Engineer Harry William Wilkins has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank, at his own request.

The undermentioned Engineers have been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet :-

William John Firks. Dated 31st August, 1888. James Shirvell. Dated 1st September, 1888.

Admiralty, 8th September, 1888.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881— Fleet Surgeon James Dear Smith, M.D., has been placed on the Retired List of his rank, at his own request. Dated 5th September, 1888.

Admiralty, 10th September, 1888.

Assistant-Paymaster Francis Burnett Pritchard has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet.

War Office, Pall Mall, 11th September, 1888.

20th Hussars, The appointment to a Second Lieutenancy of Gentleman Cadet A. H. Barclay, from the Royal Military College, which was notified in the Gazette of 21st August, 1888, is cancelled.

Royal Artillery, Captain Rudolph Robert Basil Aloysius Augustine, Viscount Feilding resigns his Commission. Dated 12th September, 1888. Lieutenant William Henry Coffin Bolton resigns his Commission. Dated 12th September, 1888. Lieutenant Creighton Wood to be Captain, vice J. Lewes, seconded on appointment as an Instructor in Position Finding. Dated 17th August, 1888.

The dates of promotions of the undermentioned Captains are altered as stated against their names:

A. M. C. Dale, 13th June, 1888.

C. de Jersey, 26th June, 1888.

W. C. Hunter-Blair, 15th July, 1888.

G. E. Benson, 1st August, 1888.

N. W. H. du Boulay, 4th August, 1888. E. M. Perceval, 15th August, 1888.

The undermentioned Lieutenants have been placed upon the Seconded List on appointment as Instructors in Position Finding: Dated 15th July,

Edward Florance Hoblyn. 1888.

Edward Shewell Cooper. Dated 15th July, 1888.

Lieutenant Charles Philip Martel has been seconded on appointment as an Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 5th August, 1888.

The undermentioned Lieutenants have been placed upon the Seconded List on appointment to the Indian Ordnance Department:

Christopher George Oldfield. Dated 22nd August, 1888.

Malcolm Sydenham Clarke Campbell. 29th August, 1888.

The names of the undermentioned Second Lieutenants are as now, and not as previously stated in the Gazettes of 23rd August, 1887, and 3rd August, 1888, respectively :-

Edward Airy Routh. St. Leger Luard Neale Nott.

Royal Engineers, Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Trotter, C.B. (late Bengal), from half-pay, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice W. J. Heaviside, retired. Dated 17th July, 1888.

The promotions of the following Officers as notified in the Gazette of 24th August, 1888, are antedated to 1st July, 1888, in succession to Major M. T. Sale, C.M.G., promoted Lieutenant-Colonel on half-pay :-

Major F. T. N. Spratt. Captain P. R. Burn-Murdoch.

Coast Battalion, Major Alfred Andrews retires on retired pay. Dated 12th September, 1888.

LINE BATTALIONS.

The King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment), Corporal of Horse Gerald Lindsay Palmes, from the 2nd Life Guards, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant W. Houghton, promoted. Dated 12th September, 1888.

The Royal Warwickshire Regiment, Gentleman Cadet Roderick George Macpherson, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant, vice G. M. Wikeley, seconded. Dated 12th September, 1888.

The King's (Liverpool Regiment), Lieutenant Frederick John Fraser, from the 3rd Battalion, the Lincolnshire Regiment, to be Second Lieutenant, vice W. L. Evans, seconded. Dated 12th September, 1888.