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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1889.

Whitehall, October 24, 1889.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, constituting and appointing the Right Honourable George Francis Hamilton (commonly called Lord George Francis Hamilton); Admiral Sir Richard Vesey Hamilton, K.C.B.; Rear-Admiral Henry Fairfax, C.B.; Rear-Admiral John Ommanney Hopkins; Rear-Admiral Charles Frederick Hotham, C.B.; and Ellis Ashmead Bartlett, Esq.; to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereunto belonging.

Whitehall, October 14, 1889.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Alfred Angelus Walmesley, of Springfield, in the parish of Prescott, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, Esquire, Her Royal licence and authority that he may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of William Penketh Cotham, late of Springfield aforesaid, but subsequently of Macclesfield, in the county of Chester, Esquire, deceased, assume and use the surname of Cotham, in addition to and after that of Walmesley, and that he may bear the arms of Cotham quartered with those of his own family, and that such surname and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used by his issue:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

India Office, October 17, 1889.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Mr. Charles Bradley Pritchard, C.S.I., of the Bombay Civil Service, to be a Provisional Member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay.

Education Department, Whitehall,

October 22, 1889.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued this day an Order under Section 63 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, for the election of a School Board in the undermentioned United School District:—

Runham, U.D. Norfolk

Admiralty, 23rd October, 1889.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870—

Captain Guy Ouchterlony Twiss has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 19th October, 1889.

Staff Commander Benjamin Smith Bradley has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 15th October, 1889.

Staff Engineer William James Canter has been advanced to the rank of Fleet Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 22nd October, 1889.

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

William Hines. Dated 30th September, 1889.

William Walter White. Dated 1st October, 1889.

Henry William Walker. Dated 5th October, 1889.

William Lonnon. Dated 9th October, 1889.

Admiralty, 24th October, 1889.

Staff Engineer John Swanson, on the Retired List, has been advanced to the rank of Fleet Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 9th July, 1889.

Assistant-Engineer Lawrence Bell has been promoted to the rank of Acting Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st September, 1889.

War Office, Pall Mall,

25th October, 1889.

15th Hussars, Captain Charles E. Browne has been seconded for service as an Adjutant of Auxiliary Forces. Dated 25th September, 1889.

20th Hussars, Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Francis John Graves has been appointed to command the Regiment. Dated 9th September, 1889.

Supernumerary Captain Stair H. J. Stewart to be Captain, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel B. W. Blake, retired. Dated 9th September, 1889.

Grenadier Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Charles B. Reynardson retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 26th October, 1889.