

Captain Lionel Herbert, Indian Staff Corps, Persian Interpreter to the Commander-in-Chief, East Indies.

The Queen has further been pleased to approve of the honorary rank of Major-General in the Army being conferred upon Honorary Colonel His Highness Maharaja Partab Singh, Indar, Mahindar, Bahadur, G.C.S.I., Sipar-i-Saltanat, of Jammu and Kashmir, on account of the valuable services performed by the Officers and men of that State during the recent operations in Chitral. Dated 22nd January, 1896.

India Office, January 21, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint—

Colonel George Fletcher Otley Boughey, late Royal Engineers, and
Major Harold Arthur Deane, Indian Staff Corps,
to be Companions of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India.

India Office, January 21, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint Francis Erskine Dempster, Esq., of the Indian Telegraph Department, to be a Companion of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire.

India Office, January 21, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to increase by two guns the salute enjoyed as a personal distinction by His Highness Sir Mahdo Singh Bahadur, Maharaja of Jaipur, G.C.S.I.

War Office, January 21, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon the undermentioned Officers of the Volunteer Force, who have been duly recommended for the same under the terms of the Royal Warrant, dated 25th July, 1892 :—

WESTERN DISTRICT.

RIFLE.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, The Gloucestershire Regiment.

Honorary Chaplain the Reverend Thomas Holbrow.

Honorary Chaplain the Reverend Corbett M. Moore.

3rd Volunteer Battalion, The Welsh Regiment.
Acting Chaplain the Reverend Canon Charles J. Thompson.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

RIFLE.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, The Hampshire Regiment.
Captain and Honorary Major George Abraham.

3rd (Duke of Connaught's Own) Volunteer Battalion, The Hampshire Regiment.
Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel George Edward Kent, jun.

THAMES DISTRICT.

RIFLE.

1st Volunteer Battalion, the Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment).
Captain Arthur John Ramsden.

HOME DISTRICT.

RIFLE.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment).
Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Edward Barrett.

3rd Volunteer Battalion, The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment).

Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas James Long.

21st Middlesex (The Finsbury) Volunteer Rifle Corps.

Captain and Honorary Major Thomas William Richardson.

SCOTTISH DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

1st Edinburgh (City) Volunteer Artillery.
Major James Pringle Taylor.

1st Aberdeenshire Volunteer Artillery.
Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel George Milne.

RIFLE.

6th Volunteer Battalion, The Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment).

Captain and Honorary Major James Dawson, jun.

3rd (Dundee Highland) Volunteer Battalion, The Black Watch (Royal Highlanders).
Major Robert Wilson Laburn.

Downing Street, January 20, 1896.

THE Queen has been pleased to give directions for the re-appointment of Christopher Talbot Mullins, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Lagos.

Whitehall, January 20, 1896.

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, granting the dignity of a Knight of the said United Kingdom unto Joseph Prestwich, of Darent-Hulme, in the parish of Shoreham, in the county of Kent, Esq.

Education Department, Whitehall,
January 16, 1896.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the compulsory formation of a School Board in the undermentioned United School District :—

East Stockwith and Walkerith Lincoln (Ad-
(U.D.), comprising the ministrative
parishes of East Stockwith County of
and Walkerith Lindsey).

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Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),
London, January 18, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, dated 16th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Malta, reporting eleven days' quarantine on arrivals from Alexandria.

Admiralty, 17th January, 1896.

Midshipman Evan Alleyn Hinkson, of the Royal Naval Reserve, to be Sub-Lieutenant on the Supplementary List of Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 31st October, 1895.

The Reverend Richard Henry Donovan, B.A., has been appointed a Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 11th January, 1896.