MADRAS INFANTRY.

Colonel Allan Chaplin. Dated 20th May, 1897. INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Hugh Johnstone, M.D., Bengal Establishment. Dated 9th April, 1897.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Kenneth Stewart, Bombay Establishment. Dated 31st March, 1897.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Edward William Young, Bombay Establishment. Dated 1st May, 1897.

Surgeon-Major Donald Frederick Dymott, Madras Establishment. Dated 14th May, 1897.

INDIAN SUBORDINATE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Senior Assistant Surgeon, with the honorary rank of Surgeon-Major, William Fearn, Bombay Establishment. Dated 12th January, 1897.

The following appointments have been made to

the Staff in India:-

Captain E. H. J. Reay, Wiltshire Regiment, a Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General, to be Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General of a command, vice Major A. H. B. Cavaye, appointed Assistant Military Secretary and Aide-de-Camp to the Lieutenant-General commanding the Forces, Madras. Dated 18th March, 1897. Captain W. S. Banks, Dorsetshire Regiment, a

Captain W. S. Banks, Dorsetshire Regiment, a Station Staff Officer First Class, to be a Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General, vice Captain Reay.

Dated 18th March, 1897.

·· ERRATUM.

The surname of Lieutenant Alexander Mullaly, Indian Staff Corps, whose promotion to the rank of Captain was notified in the London Gazette of the 23rd April, 1897, is as now stated, and not as given in that Gazette.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873. The Local Government Act, 1894. WALSALL FAIR.

THE Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that by Memorial dated the 13th day of May, 1897, a representation has been duly made to him by the Town Council of the Borough of Walsall that a Fair has been annually held in the Borough on the Tuesday before the 29th day of September, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that such Fair should in future be held on the Tuesday after the Bank Holiday in August.

On the 17th day of June, 1897, the Secretary of State will take such representation into consideration, and any person who may desire to object to the alteration of the date for holding the Fair, should intimate his objections to the Secretary of State before that date.

. Whitehall, May 18, 1897.

ORDER of the Local Government Board: Altering General Accounts Order: Appointment of Stocktaker:—

Hastings Union.

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Hastings Union ;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by General Orders of the Poor Law Board, dated respectively the 14th day of January, 1867, and the 16th day of February, 1869, addressed to the Guardians of the Poor of the Hastings Union (amongst others), it is required that certain Accounts relating to the provisions, clothing, and other stores in the Workhouse, when made up and balanced, shall be submitted to the Visiting Committee or to some Member thereof, who shall enter a memorandum at the foot of such Accounts, certifying to the same having been submitted, and to the correctness, or otherwise, of such Accounts as regards the stock remaining in store:

And whereas it is expedient to empower the said Guardians to appoint a competent person or persons to examine the stores at the Workhouse belonging to the said Union, and to perform the

other duties hereinafter set forth:

Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given to Us by the Statutes in that behalf, hereby Order as follows:—

ARTICLE I.—The Guardians of the Poor of the said Hastings Union may, as and when they shall think fit to do so, appoint a competent person or persons to perform the duties of a Stocktaker as hereinafter set forth.

ARTICLE II.—Every such appointment shall be made in the manner prescribed by the Regulations, as to the appointment of Officers, in force in the said Union for the time being.

ARTICLE III.—The Guardians shall pay to the person or persons appointed under this Order such salary or remuneration as We may from time to

time direct or approve.

ARTICLE IV.—Every person appointed under this Order shall hold office until he shall die, or resign, or be dismissed by the Guardians, subject to Our consent, or be removed by Us, or be proved to be insane by evidence which We may deem sufficient; and the said Guardians shall give notice to Us of every such death or resignation, and state the cause of such resignation, so far as it may be known to them.

Provided nevertheless, that the Guardians may, if they think fit, with Our assent, appoint a person or persons to discharge the duties hereby prescribed for the Stocktaker, for a limited period only.

ARTICLE V.—The Stocktaker shall, on the day next after the termination of each quarter, and at any other time when required by the Guardians to do so, examine the stores at the Workhouse and compare the same with the quantities of stock remaining in store as shown by the entries in the proper columns in the Accounts termed respectively the "Quarterly Balance of the Provisions Account" and the "Quarterly Balance of the Necessaries and Miscellaneous Account."

He shall also, on the day next after the termination of each half-year, and at any other time when required by the Guardians to do so, examine the stock of clothing at the Workhouse and compare the same with the balance appearing in the Accounts termed respectively the "Clothing Materials Receipt and Conversion Account" and the "Clothing Receipt and Expenditure Account."

ARTICLE VI.—After making the examination and comparison referred to in Article V, the Stocktaker, if he find the stock to be correct, shall sign a certificate at the foot of each of the aforesaid Accounts in the following form:—

"Submitted to me this day of ", 18, and found to be correct as "regards the quantities of stock remaining in "store.

" (Signed) "Stocktaker."

If he find the stock to be in any respect incorrect, he shall make such addition to the said certificate as he may deem necessary, specifying the particulars in which he finds the quantities of stock to be incorrectly stated.

ARTICLE VII.-The Master of the Work-