

Privy Council Office, March 7, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by certain Inhabitant Householders of the Urban District of Dukinfield, in the County of Chester, praying for the grant of a MUNICIPAL CHARTER OF INCORPORATION; and notice is hereby further given, that the said Petition will be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
March 7, 1898.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be open to the Public on and after Monday next, the 14th instant, on every week day, Wednesdays excepted, under the usual Regulations, until further orders.

War Office, March 8, 1898.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Distinguished Service Order, in recognition of the services of the undermentioned Officer in the conduct of certain military operations against the Sofas in West Africa in April last, whilst holding the appointment of Travelling Commissioner, under the Governor of the Gold Coast Colony:

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, viz. :—

Lieutenant Francis Barkley Henderson, Retired List, Royal Navy.

Foreign Office, February 28, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of the following Gentlemen as Consular Officers of the United States of America :—Mr. James G. Stowe as Consul-General at Cape Town; Mr. William H. H. Graham as Consul at Winnipeg; Mr. Harlan W. Brush as Consul at Clifton, Ontario; Mr. Neal McMillan as Consul at Port Sarnia, Ontario; Mr. George H. Moulton as Consul at Demerara; Mr. John H. Grout, jun., as Consul at Malta; Mr. W. Maxwell Greene as Consul at Bermuda, West Indies; and of Mr. Robert P. Pooley as Consul at St. Helena.

Foreign Office, February 28, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Emile Rocher as Consul of France at Liverpool; of Mr. A. R. Gallé as Consul of Belgium at Manchester; of Mr. E. Verspreenwen as Consul of Belgium at Liverpool; of Mr. Nossé Tatsugoro Shoshichii as Consul of Japan for the Eastern Districts of Canada; of Mr. Arthur Bellamy as Consul of Peru at Plymouth; of Mr. Andrew John Robertson as Vice-Consul of Germany at Lerwick; and of Mr. Paul Crémieu-Javal as Vice-Consul of Monaco at London.

Whitehall, March 7, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Charles Walter Balleine to the living of St. Clement, in the Island of Jersey, void by the death of the Reverend Daniel Matthew Lempriere, M.A., the last Incumbent.

Whitehall, March 7, 1898.

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 Baronet of the said United Kingdom unto Hugh John Ellis-Nanney, of Gwynfryn, in the parish of Llanystumdwy, in the county of Carnarvon, and of Cefndeuiddwr, in the parish of Trawsfynydd, in the county of Merioneth, Esq., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

Whitehall, March 7, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 5th instant, to appoint His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G.; Henry, Baron Pirbright; Admiral of the Fleet Sir John Edmund Commerell, G.C.B., V.C.; and Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, Esq., Mus. Doc., to be additional Commissioners for the Paris Exhibition of 1900.

Whitehall, March 2, 1898.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Charles Vere Townshend Onslow, of Grosvenor-square, in the parish of All Saints, in the borough of Southampton, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he may take and use the surnames of Mainwaring Ellerker together with his own family surname, and be called Charles Vere Townshend Mainwaring - Ellerker - Onslow, and also bear the arms of Mainwaring and Ellerker quarterly with those of Onslow, and that such surnames and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used by his issue.

Admiralty, 4th March, 1898.

Gunner William Daly has been promoted to the rank of Chief Gunner in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 24th February, 1898.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Lieutenant Herbert James Crocker to be Captain, vice Marchant, seconded. Dated 25th February, 1898.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Lieutenant Arthur Belgrave Cave has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 1st March, 1898.

Admiralty, 7th March, 1898.

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

Lieutenant George Vincent Hegan has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander. Dated 1st March, 1898.

Sub-Lieutenant Waldemar Bernard Wilkinson has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant on the Supplementary List of Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 9th December, 1897.

War Office, Pall Mall,

8th March, 1898.

7th Dragoon Guards, The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captains. Dated 9th January, 1898 :—

William D. McSwiney, vice R. Cooper, seconded. Henry A. Lempriere, Adjutant, to complete establishment.

Second Lieutenant N. D. H. Campbell to be Lieutenant, vice W. D. McSwiney. Dated 23rd February, 1898.