December, 1903, regarding Captain M. C. Matthews is as follows, and not as therein stated:—

Captain and Quartermaster M. C. Matthews is borne as Supernumerary whilst serving as Executive Officer to the National Rifle Association. Dated 5th December, 1903.

3rd Volunteer Battalion, the Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), Captain and Quartermaster J. M. Forsdyke is borne as Supernumerary whilst commanding the Army Service Corps Company, West Kent Volunteer Infantry Brigade. Dated 12th September, 1903.

Lieutenant E. B. Herbert resigns his Commission. Dated 9th January, 1904.

17th (North) Middlesex, Isaac William Dowding, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th January, 1904.

1st Middlesex (Victoria and St. George's), The undermentioned Officers resign their Commissions:—

Lieutenant B. H. Wilkinson. Dated 9th January, 1904.

Second Lieutenant L. F. O'Brien. Dated 9th January, 1904.

Second Lieutenart S. Blumfeld. Dated 9th January, 1904.

3rd London, Captain (Honorary Captain in the Army) C. W. Berkeley is granted the honorary rank of Major. Dated 9th January, 1904.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Manchester Regiment, The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captains:—

O. St. L. Davies. Dated 9th January, 1904. B. G. W. Milner. Dated 9th January, 1904. A. D. Hunter. Dated 9th January, 1904.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment), The undermentioned Second Lieutenants to be Lieutenants:—

E. W. Peach. Dated 9th January, 1904. W. K. Whigham. Dated 9th January, 1904. E. H. Tomlinson. Dated 9th January, 1904.

2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders, The undermentioned Officers to be Captains:—— Lieutenant J. W. Johnston. Dated 9th January, 1904.

Second Lieutenart G. Barclay. Dated 9th January, 1904.

Second Lieutenant J. R. Hay resigns his Commission. Dated 9th January, 1904.

8rd (The Buchan) Volunteer Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders, The undermentioned Second Lieutenants to be Lieutenants:—

A. McD. Younie. Dated 9th January, 1904. W. Reid. Dated 9th January, 1904.

Quartermaster R. W. Bruce is granted the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 9th January, 1904.

7th Middlesex (London Scottish), The Reverend A. Fleming to be Acting Chaplain. Dated 10th December, 1903.

14th Middlesex (Inns of Court), Lieutenant T. F. Hobson to be Captain. Dated 9th January, 1904.

16th Middlesex (London Irish), Captain W. H. C. Bullen resigns his Commission. Dated 9th January, 1904.

1st Tower Hamlets, Major A. H. Locke resigns his Commission, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 9th January, 1904.

January, 1904. Captain E. C. P. Monson to be Major. Dated 9th January, 1904. Lieutenant W. H. Hamilton to be Captain. Dated 9th January, 1904.

VOLUNTEER INFANTRY BRIGADES.

West Kent, The notification which appeared in the London Gazette of the 11th September, 1903, regarding Captain and Quartermaster J. M. Forsdyke, 3rd Volunteer Battalion, Royal West Kent Regiment, is cancelled.

Sussex and Kent, Major J. Turton, Sussex and Kent Volunteer Infantry Brigade Bearer Company, to be Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel whilst holding the appointment of Senior Medical Officer. Dated 9th January, 1904.

EDWARD, R. & I.

Whereas it has been represented to Us that it is expedient to amend the designations and honorary rank of the various grades of Commissioned Officers of Departments in India as laid down in the Warrant of Our late Royal Mother of the 29th November, 1897—

Our Will and Pleasure is that the grades shall in future be designated and shall carry honorary

rank as follows:

Grades. Honorary Rank.

Commissary .. Captain on promotion,
and Major after 15
years' commissioned
service on full pay.

Deputy Commissary ... Captain. Assistant Commissary... Lieutenant.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham, this second day of January, one thousand nine hundred and four, in the third year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command, St. John Brodrick.

Civil Service Commission, December 29, 1903.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that at an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Assistant of Excise in the Department of Inland Revenue, held on the 5th and 6th November, 1903, notice of which Examination was given in the London Gazette of the 15th September, 1903, the undermentioned Candidates obtained the first eighty places:—

No. in Order of Merit.	Name.	Locality of Examination.
1	Osborne, Basil	Bristol
2 .	Anderton, Arthur Thomas	Leeds
3	Ellis, Harold	Leeds
4	McMillan, John	Glasgow
5	Lindley, Hugh Words- worth	London
6	Cutting, Frederic William Vennell	London
7	Mann, Jonathan Weather- don	London
8 :	Anderson. Henry	Glasgow
9	Robinson, John Routledge	Liverpool
10	Hollis, Frederick George	Birmingham
11	Howell, Herbert	Cardiff
12	Ryan, Michael	London
13	Ennis, John Joseph	Belfast
14	Davies, Edgar	Cardiff