Capt. Frederick S. Litchfield-Speer, C.M.G., [] MEDICAL SERVICE. D.S.O., has been promoted to Rear-Admiral in H.M. Fleet. 5th Apr. 1922.

Payr. Lieut. Malcolm G. S. Cull, O.B.E., to be Payr. Lieut.-Cdr. 7th Mar. 1922.

Admiralty, 7th April, 1922.

Payr. Lieut. Charles A. Bowen to be Payr.

Lieut.-Cdr. 7th Apr. 1922. Surg. Lieut. Ernest B. Kelley, M.B., to be Surg. Lieut.-Comdr. 5th Apr. 1922.

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Lieut. Geoffrey G. Thorne to be Lieut.-Cdr. 30th Mar. 1922.

Lieutenancy of the County of Devon.

The undermentioned resigns his commission as a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Devon :

Alexander Kelso Hamilton. 066

Air Ministry,

11th April, 1922.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

John Edward ARNOTT is granted a short - service commission as a Flying Officer, with effect from, and with seniority of, 23rd Mar. 1922.

Henry Frederick Wickham GUARD, C.M.G., D.S.O., is granted a short service commission for three years on the active list as a Squadron Leader, with effect from, and with seniority of, 3rd Apr. 1922.

Flying Officer Victor CROOME is restored to full pay from half-pay. 1st Apr. 1922. Flying Officer Hugh Victor PUCKRIDGE,

D.F.C., to take rank and precedence as if his name appeared in the Air Force List immediately below that of Flying Officer Leslie George HARRISON. Reduction to take effect from 28th Mar. 1922.

Flying Officer William Valentine Newby GRANT relinquishes his short service commission on account of ill-health contracted on active service, and is permitted to retain the rank of Lt. 5th Apr. 1922.

Flight Lt. Ernest Livingstone JOHNSTON, A.F.C., is transferred to the Reserve, Class B. 10th Apr. 1922.

Flying Officer Walter Alexander Nelson APPLEFORD resigns his short service commission. 28th Mar. 1922.

The grant of a short service commission to Arthur Kennith CROWTHER, notified in the Gazette of 13th Jan. 1922 is cancelled, with effect from 1st Apr. 1922.

STORES BRANCH.

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Flying Officer Joseph Alexander Allen is placed on the retired list on account of illhealth contracted in the service, and is granted the rank of Capt. 12th Apr. 1922.

The temporary commission of Flying Officer Herbert Arthur LOTHERINGTON is terminated on cessation of duty. 11th Apr. 1922.

Richard Henry WACE, M.B., is granted a temporary commission as a Flight Lt., with effect from, and with seniority of, 28th Mar. 1922.

MEMORANDA.

Lt. Sydney James CROAD relinquishes his temporary commission on ceasing to be employed, and is permitted to retain his 25th Mar. 1922.

rank. 25th Mar. 1922. Lt. John Sharman is deprived of permission to retain his rank, on conviction by the Civil Power. 9th Feb. 1922.

ERRATUM.

Gazette of 31st Mar. 1922, page 2620. For William James ROOT Read William Joseph Root.

WHITSTABLE.

Whereas the Urban District Council of Whitstable have made application to the Minister of Health for the issue of a Provisional Order under Sections 297 and 303 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to partially re-peal, alter or amend the Whitstable Water and Improvement Act, 1902, so as to extend the time during which the said Council may purchase the undertaking of the Whitstable Water Company, Limited, and a Local Inquiry has been held upon this matter;

And whereas the said Council have further made application that the Provisional Order to be issued as aforesaid should include provisions for enabling the Minister of Health, on the application of the Council, to fix from time to time by Order the rates and charges for a supply of water for domestic purposes and for water closets and baths, and by meter within the water limits, and that the rates and charges so fixed should take the place of those authorised by the said Local Act;

Notice is hereby given, that it is proposed that a Provisional Order should be issued in compliance with the said Application, and should include the further matter above-mentioned :

And notice is hereby further given, that the Minister of Health will be prepared to consider any objections or representations relative to the further matter aforesaid which may be addressed in writing to the Secretary, Ministry of Health, on or before the 21st instant. (Copies of any such objections or representations should at the same time be sent to the Clerk to the Whitstable Urban District Council, Council Offices, Whitstable.

> As witness my hand this sixth day of April, 1922, at the office of \mathbf{the} Ministry of Health, London, S.W. 1.

> > F. L. Turner, Assistant Secretary.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACTS, 1896 AND 1912. RAILWAYS ACT, 1921.

The Minister of Transport has made the Doncaster Corporation Light Railways (Ex-tensions) Order, 1922, authorising the construction of a Light Railway in the Borough