Francis Noel Desmond SCALLY. Noel Christie SINGER. Henry Charles SINGLETON. Albert Edmund SMITH. Robert Smith. Robert Topp. Michael Watson. Frank Whittingham. David Harry Gadsdon Wood.

Walter Edmund Merrick SLOCOCK is granted a short service commissior as a Pilot Officer on probation with effect from 14th Apr. 1929, and with seniority of 13th Apr.

The undermentioned Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer:-

Edward Cecil Theodore EDWARDS. 30th Oct. 1928.

Arthur Pakenham Fitzhardinge Murray Berkeley. 30th Jan. 1929.

Flying Officer Leonard BUTLER is transferred to the Reserve, Class A. 12th Apr.

Flying Officer Francis Henry Louis SEARL relinquishes his short service commission on account of ill-health. 13th Apr. 1929.

The short service commission of Pilot Officer on probation Owen John O'HARA is terminated on cessation of duty. 23rd Apr.

Lt. Alec Murray McKillor, R.N. Flying Officer, R.A.F., relinquishes his temporary commission on return to Naval duty. Feb. 1929.

STORES BRANCH.

Flight Lt. Reginald Vivian Robinson, O.B.E., is transferred to the Reserve, Class B. 22nd Apr. 1929.

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The undermentioned are granted commissions in Class A.A.(ii) as Pilot Officers on probation, 9th Apr. 1929:-

John Alan Ingles.

Walter Ronald Price Knight Mason.

Gordon Valentine CAREY is granted a commission in Class A as a Flying Officer on probation. 23rd Apr. 1929.

The undermentioned Pilot Officers on probation are confirmed in rank:-

16th Mar. 1929.

Eric David MILLS.

23rd Apr. 1929. John Moore GITTINS. Francis Oscar Tickell

The undermentioned Flying Officers are transferred from Class B to Class C:-

Harry Wynne Nicholl. 1st Apr. 1929. Edwin Thomas SHONE. 16th Dec. 1928.

The undermentioned Flying Officers relinquish their commissions on completion of service, 29th Mar. 1929:-

Douglas Mark Newberry Coles. John Vaughan ROBERTS.

Pilot Officer John Howard Marcus Smith relinquishes his commission. 30th Nov. 1928.

Flying Officer Francis William Macdonald MATTHEWS relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health and is permitted to retain his rank. 24th Apr. 1929.

> India Office, 26th April, 1929.

The KING has approved the following Promotions, Appointments, Retirements, etc. :-

INDIAN ARMY.

H.H. the Nawab of Rampur, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., A.D.C., is apptd. Colonel of Hodson's Horse (4th D.C.O. Lancers). Capt. A. W. Beard, R.E., I.A., to be Maj., 21st Dec. 1928.

The undermentioned officers are granted antedates of rank to the 27th Oct. 1920:-

C. A. Strong, O.B.E., M.C. J. E. Mills. C. W. Cousins.

F. R. Bailey.

(Substituted for the notifn, in the Gaz. of the 20th Mar. 1925.)

The rank of Capt. P. J. Gibbs, O.B.E., is antedated to the 27th Oct. 1920.

Capt. (now Maj.) R. C. Christie, M.C., 102nd K.E.O. Grs., to be actg. Maj. while sec.-incomd. of a Bn., 29th July to 28th Sept. 1917 and 6th Sept. 1918 to 9th Mar. 1919; and to be actg. Lt.-Col. while comdg. a Bn., 29th Sept. to 11th Oct. 1917. (Substituted for the notifn. in the Gaz. of the 26th Mar. 1918.)

Capt. (actg. Maj.) (now Maj.) R. C. Christie, M.C., 2/128th Prs., relinquishes his actg. rank on ceasing to be sec.-in-comd. of a Bn., 25th Aug. 1918.

The notifn. in the Gaz. of the 21st July 1922, regarding the grant of the actg. rank of Maj. to Capt. (now Maj.) G. M. Hutton, is cancelled.

The undermentioned officers retire:-

Maj.-Gen. Sir J. H. K. Stewart, K.C.B., D.S.O., 1st Apr. 1929.

Maj. E. Grose, 22nd Apr. 1929.

Capt. G. Craig, 5/6th Raj. Rif., forfeits six months' service for purposes of promotion, 9th Feb. 1929.

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Condrs. to be Asst. Comms. with rank of Lt. Archibald Watmore, 3rd Jan. 1929. Ralph Jennings, 13th Jan. 1929. Thomas Notley, 3rd Feb. 1929.

The undermentioned officers retire:-Commy. & Maj. J. H. Fitter, 23rd Apr. 1929. Asst. Commy. & Lt. R. W. C. T. Sadlier, 27th Apr. 1929.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

Capt. Sankarankoil Chidambaranatha Alagappan, M.B., F.R.C.S.E., to be Maj., 3rd Mar. 1929.