

*Commission signed by the Queen.**Royal North Gloucestershire Regiment of Militia.*

Thomas Stevenson, Esq., to be Paymaster. Dated 5th November, 1857.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Lancaster.*

William Allen Francis Saunders, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 23rd February, 1858.

Frederick Earnshaw Marshall, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 23rd February, 1858.

James Dugdale, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 23rd February, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Cardigan.*

John Walters Philipps, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 27th February, 1858.

Thomas Owen Morgan, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 27th February, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the county of Worcester.**Worcestershire Regiment of Militia.*

Edward James Passmore, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Brice, resigned.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant and Sheriff Principal of the County of Ayr.**Royal Ayrshire Rifles.*

Lord Colville, of Culross, to be Captain, vice Henry Montgomery Cunninghame, resigned. Dated 25th February, 1858.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant and High Sheriff of the County of Clackmannan.**90th Regiment of Militia or Highland Borderers Light Infantry.*

John Craufurd Tait to be Captain. Dated 26th February, 1858.

## MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of the Royal Aberdeenshire Regiment of Militia, being designated "The Royal Aberdeenshire Highlanders."

## TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the Regulation of the Duties of Postage," power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage, or Inland postage, payable by law on the transmission by the post of Foreign or Colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time, by Warrant, as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof, and from time to time, by Warrant, as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her

present Majesty, intituled "An Act for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post-office," further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and power is also given to the Postmaster-General (amongst other things) to collect and receive the foreign and colonial postage charged or chargeable on any letters sent by the post, and also with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to require the postage, British, Colonial, or Foreign, of any letters sent by the post to be pre-paid, either in money or in stamps, as he might think fit, on the same being put into the Post-office, and also with such consent to abolish or restrict the pre-payment in money of postage on letters sent by the post either altogether or on certain letters, and to require the pre-payment thereof to be in stamps, and also to refuse to receive or send by the post any letters tendered contrary to any regulations thereby made, and power is also given to the Postmaster-General and any officer of the Post-office to detain any letters which should be posted or sent by the post contrary to the regulations therein mentioned, and to open such letters, and either to return them to the senders thereof, or to forward them to the places of their destination, charged in either case with such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury should from time to time direct.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have, by divers Warrants under their hands fixed, made, and established certain rates of British postage payable on the transmission by the post of certain Colonial letters therein respectively mentioned.

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by a certain other Warrant under their hands bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, did make regulations for the prepayment of the several rates of postage payable on letters posted in the United Kingdom addressed to any of the colonies therein mentioned, and on letters posted in any of such colonies addressed to the United Kingdom, and did (amongst other things) order and direct that on every letter posted in any of Her Majesty's colonies in the West Indies (the islands of Barbadoes, Trinidad, and Turk's Island excepted), or in Malta, Gibraltar, or Hong Kong, addressed to the United Kingdom, the postage thereof should be paid at the time of the same being posted; and also that if any letter should be posted in any of the colonies before mentioned, addressed to the United Kingdom, without any postage having been paid thereon, or with a postage paid thereon less in amount than the single rate of postage chargeable thereon, every such letter should be detained and opened, and should be either returned or given up to the sender thereof; and also that if any letter should be posted in any of the before mentioned colonies addressed to the United Kingdom, and the postage paid thereon should be less in amount than the rate of postage to which such packet would be liable under and by virtue of the regulations in force relating thereto, but equal in amount to the single rate of postage chargeable on any such letter, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight, every such last mentioned letter should be forwarded charged with the amount of the difference between the postage paid thereon, and the postage to which it would have been liable if the postage had been paid when posted together, with the further and additional rate of postage of sixpence;

and also that the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury might by Warrant, under their hands duly made at any time thereafter, alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions, or regulations thereby made, and might make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations in lieu thereof.

And whereas it is expedient to alter the said regulations so made by the said Treasury Warrant of the 15th day of January, 1858, as to the payment of the rates of postage upon certain of the said letters therein mentioned, and also as to the detaining and opening, and either returning or giving up to the senders thereof of certain other of the said letters therein mentioned in the manner hereinafter contained.

Now we the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said hereinbefore recited Acts, or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this present Warrant, under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners, by the authority of the statute in that case made and provided, order and direct as follows (that is to say) :

1. That on every letter posted in any of Her Majesty's colonies in the West Indies (the Islands of Barbadoes, Trinidad, and Turk's Island excepted), or in Malta, Gibraltar, or Hong Kong respectively addressed to any department or office in or connected with the public service of Her Majesty, which shall have a postage account with the General Post Office in London, it shall not be necessary that the postage thereof shall be paid at the time of the same being posted; and that every such letter so posted in any of the said colonies respectively, addressed as last aforesaid, shall and may be forwarded to the place of its destination, although the postage shall not have been paid thereon at the time of the same being posted; and the postage thereof shall be charged in such postage account anything in the said before-recited Treasury Warrant, bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

2. And, with respect to letters posted in Gibraltar or Malta, if any letter, not being a letter addressed to any department or office in or connected with the public service of Her Majesty which shall have a postage account with the General Post-Office in London, shall be posted in Gibraltar or Malta, addressed to the United Kingdom without any postage having been paid thereon, or with a postage paid thereon less in amount than the rate of postage chargeable thereon under and by virtue of the regulations in force relating thereto, and such letter, on being opened, shall be found to have originated in, and been sent from, any country or place out of Gibraltar and Malta, every such letter shall be forwarded to the place of its destination, charged with the rate of postage to which it would have been liable if the postage thereof had been paid when posted, together with the further and additional rate of postage of sixpence, anything in the said before-recited Treasury Warrant bearing date the 15th day of January, 1858, contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

3. The terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

4. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may by Warrant under

their hands duly made at any time hereafter alter, repeal, or revoke any of the orders, directions, and regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other orders, directions, or regulations in lieu thereof.

5. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of March, 1858.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the twenty-sixth day of February, 1858.

*Duncan.*  
*H. Brand.*

Whitehall, February 28, 1858.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Atkinson, of Whitehaven, in the county of Cumberland, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

Whitehall, February 23, 1858.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Miles Myres, of Preston, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL PRIZE MONEY,

*Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset-House, March 1, 1858.*

NOTICE is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of proceeds arising from the brig Annina, captured on the 24th May, 1855, by Her Majesty's ship Spitfire, will commence on Monday, the 15th March, 1858, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the "Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset-House."

Agents and other persons holding powers of attorney, prize orders, assignments, or other instruments, by virtue of which they may be legally entitled to claim the share of any captor, serving in the above-named ships, are requested to present the same at this office.

Any Officer, Seaman, Marine, or other person, who may desire to receive his share from the Collector of Customs or of Inland Revenue within the United Kingdom, is required to intimate the same by letter to be addressed "On Prize Business, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, London,"—in which letter his own place of residence is to be precisely stated, as well as the place of the nearest Collector of Customs, or of Inland Revenue, from whom it would be convenient to receive such share of prize money.

*The following are the shares due to an individual in the several classes :*

	£	s.	d.
Flag share . . . . .	12	6	8
Captain . . . . .	29	5	11
Third class . . . . .	12	11	10
Fourth class . . . . .	8	1	11
Fifth class . . . . .	4	9	11
Sixth class . . . . .	4	1	0
Seventh class . . . . .	2	13	11
Eighth class . . . . .	1	7	0
Ninth class . . . . .	0	18	0
Tenth class . . . . .	0	8	11