

Lieutenant - Colonel Stannus Verner Gordon,
Indian Staff Corps.

Lieutenant - Colonel Alfred George Yaldwyn,
Indian Staff Corps.

Veterinary-Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Poyser,
Army Veterinary Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Frederick Barrow,
C.M.G., Indian Staff Corps.

Major James Wyndham Hughes-Hallett, Seaforth
Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, the Duke of
Albany's).

Major Reginald Campbell Hadow, Indian Staff
Corps.

Major John Chivas Shirres, Royal Artillery.

Major Herbert Edward Stacy Abbott, Royal
Engineers.

Major William George Hamilton, the East Lan-
cashire Regiment.

Captain John Burnard Edwards, Indian Staff
Corps.

Captain Oliver Stewart Wood Nugent, the King's
Royal Rifle Corps.

Captain George Howard Bretherton, Indian Staff
Corps.

Captain William Robert Robertson, 3rd Dragoon
Guards, Staff Captain, Intelligence Branch,
Head-Quarters Staff in India.

Lieutenant Robert Balmain Low, Indian Staff
Corps, Aide-de-Camp to Major-General Sir R.
C. Low, K.C.B., Commanding a First Class
District in India.

Lieutenant Guy Melfort Baldwin, Indian Staff
Corps.

Lieutenant Frederic Walter Kerr, the Gordon
Highlanders.

The Queen has further been pleased to approve of the Honorary Rank of Major-General in the Army being conferred upon Honorary Colonel His Highness Maharaja Partab Singh, Indar, Mahindar, Bahadur, G.C.S.I., Sipar-i-Saltanat, of Jammu and Kashmir, on account of the valuable services performed by the Officers and men of that State during the recent operations in Chitral. Dated 22nd January 1896.

INDIA OFFICE, January 21, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint—

Colonel George Fletcher Ottley Boughey, late
Royal Engineers, and

Major Harold Arthur Deane, Indian Staff
Corps,

to be Companions of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India.

INDIA OFFICE, January 21, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint Francis Erskine Dempster, Esq., of the Indian Telegraph Department, to be a Companion of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire.

INDIA OFFICE, January 21, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to increase by two guns the salute enjoyed as a personal distinction by His Highness Sir Mahdo Singh Bahadur, Maharaja of Jaipur, G.C.S.I.

WAR OFFICE, January 21, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon the under-mentioned Officers of the Volunteer Force, who have been duly recommended for the same under the terms of the Royal Warrant, dated 25th July 1892:—

SCOTTISH DISTRICT.

ARTILLERY.

1st Edinburgh (City) Volunteer Artillery.

Major James Pringle Taylor.

1st Aberdeenshire Volunteer Artillery.

Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel George Milne.

RIFLE.

*6th Volunteer Battalion, The Royal Scots,
(Lothian Regiment).*

Captain and Honorary Major James Dawson, jun.

*3rd (Dundee Highland) Volunteer Battalion, The
Black Watch (Royal Highlanders).*

Major Robert Wilson Laburn.

DOWNING STREET, January 20, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased to give directions for the re-appointment of Christopher Talbot Mullins, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Lagos.

WHITEHALL, January 20, 1896.

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 Knight of the said United Kingdom unto Joseph Prestwich, of Darent-Hulme, in the Parish of Shoreham, in the County of Kent, Esq.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

January 21, 1896.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, in pursuance of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd March 1879, that, with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, they have prescribed that when any two or more of the following Examinations are held concurrently, viz. :—

Open Competitive Examinations for—

The Civil Service of India;

Eastern Cadetships;

Clerkships (Class I.) in the Home Civil Service;