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WHITEHALL, February 24, 1864.

THE following Address of Congratulation to the Queen, on the occasion of Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales having given Birth to a Prince, has been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Bart., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for Presentation, and has accordingly been presented by him to Her Majesty, who has been pleased to receive the same most graciously:—

To The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

We, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, beg leave to approach your Majesty with renewed assurances of loyalty to the Throne and affection towards your Majesty's Royal person.

The anticipations which, in common with all other your Majesty's devoted Subjects, we ventured to entertain when last permitted to address your Majesty, have been recently fulfilled by the birth of a Prince; and it now becomes our duty to offer to your Majesty the sincere congratulations of this University.

With the liveliest feelings of gratitude and joy we have been assured from time to time of the safety of Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, and the uninterrupted health and well-being of the infant Prince. But our deep sense of thankfulness has been immeasurably increased by the conviction that this signal domestic blessing has contributed largely to your Majesty's own personal relief and comfort. In these most happy results we gladly trace the orderings of an All-wise and gracious Providence, ever watchful (as we humbly trust and pray) over your Majesty's welfare and happiness, affording also the promise of increased stability to your Royal House, and encouraging in the hearts of all your Majesty's Subjects the fervent hope that the impress of your Majesty's wise and prosperous government may be transmitted in the persons of your Majesty's own descendants to the far distant future of our Nation's destiny.

Given at our House of Convocation, under our Common Seal, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord God 1864.



WAR-OFFICE, February 25, 1864.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath:

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the Second Class or Knights Commanders of the said Most Honourable Order, viz. :—

Rear-Admiral Sir Alexander Milne, K.C.B. (Civil), with temporary rank as Vice-Admiral while Commander-in-Chief on the North American and West Indian Station.

Rear-Admiral Augustus Leopold Kuper, C.B., with temporary rank as Vice-Admiral while Commander-in-Chief on the East Indian and China Station.

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Honourable Order, viz. :—

Captain Sir William Saltonstall Wiseman, Bart., R.N.

Captain Francis William Sullivan, R.N.

Lieutenant-Colonel Dominic Jacotin Gamble, Deputy Quartermaster-General to the Forces in New Zealand.

MEMORANDUM.

The name of Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Wilson Austen, 2d Battalion, 14th Regiment, was submitted to Her Majesty, and he would have been nominated a Companion of the Order of the Bath, had not his death been officially reported.

WHITEHALL, February 11, 1864.

The Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration that upon the death of Francis William, second Earl of Charlemont, in Ireland, and Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of St Patrick, without issue, on the 26th day of December last, the Earldom of Charlemont devolved upon James Molyneux, now Earl of Charlemont, as being the eldest son and heir of the Honourable Henry Caulfeild, of Hackley, in the county of Armagh, sometime Knight of the shire for the said county, who died in the lifetime of his brother, the said Francis William, Earl of Charlemont, and that, according to the ordinary rules of honour the brother and sister of the said James Molyneux, now Earl of Charlemont, do not enjoy that place, rank, and precedence, which they

