which it would have been liable under and by virtue of this Warrant if the postage had been paid when posted.

13. In order to prevent any obstacles to the due and regular transmission of letters by the post, any officer of the Post-office may delay the transmission of any packet posted or forwarded by the post under the provisions of this Warrant either for the space of twenty-four hours after the time at which the same ought to be despatched in due course of post, or (at his option) until the despatch of the mail next after that by which the same ought in due course of the post to be forwarded by him.

14. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise whether any packet, or any pattern or sample contained therein, transmitted under or by virtue of this Warrant, is entitled to the privileges of this Warrant, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning thereof, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereon shall be final and conclusive upon all parties.

conclusive upon all parties. 15. The term " by the post," used in this Warrant shall, as to packets transmitted between the United Kingdom and the British West Indies, include the conveyance direct by any British or Colonial packet-boat, and also the conveyance viâ France, and by French packet-boat, and as to the sea conveyance between the United Kingdom and the Colonies of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Lagos, and the Gold Coast, shall mean the conveyance by British packet-boat; and the term "British West Indies," used in this Warrant, shall be construed to mean and include the following Colonies and places, and their respective dependencies, that is to say:—Antigua, Bahamas, Barbadoes, Bermuda, Berbice, Carriacon, Demerara, Dominica, Grenada, Honduras, Jamaica, Montserrat, Nevis, St Kitts, St Lucia, St Vincent, Tobago, Tortola, Trinidad, and Turk's Islands; and the several other 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 Maiestv. chapter 96.

Majesty, chapter 96. 16. 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, revoke, or modify any of the rates of postage hereby fixed, or any of the regulations hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time may appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid. 17. This Warrant shall come into operation on

17. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the third day of December one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

> E. H. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN. LUKE WHITE,

ADMIRALTY, December 2, 1864. Royal Marine Light Infantry.

- First Lieutenant Robert Frederick Tayler to be Captain, vice Pritchard, deceased. Dated 6th November 1864.
- Second Lieutenant Alfred Close Cassan to be First Lieutenant, vice Tayler. Dated 14th November 1864.

Queen's Commission.

Queen's (Westminster) Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Roper Dacre Tyler, late Lieutenant in Her Majesty's 11th Regiment of Foot, to be Adjutant, from the 18th October 1864.

Memorandum.

Adjutant Roper Dacre Tyler, of the Queen's (Westminster) Rifle Volunteer Corps, to serve with the rank of Captain. Dated 24th November 1864.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Stafford.

1st Staffordshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Second Lieutenant John Strick to be First Lieutenant. Dated 28th November 1864.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Devon.

1st Devonshire Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant Henry Arundel Martyn Farrant to be Captain, vice Fursdon, resigned. Dated 16th November 1864.

1st Devonshire Light Horse Volunteer Corps.

- Lieutenant Henry Carew Hunt to be Captain, vice the Earl St Maur, resigned. Dated 25th November 1864.
- Jeffery Michelmore to be Cornet. Dated 23d November 1864.

4th Devonshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Charles Paget Blake, M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 9th September 1864.

1st Devonshire Engineer Volunteer Corps.

Charles Fowler to be Second Lieutenant, vice Withington, resigned. Dated 12th November 1864.

4th Adminstrative Battalion of Devonshire Rifle Volunteers.

Walter Soper Gervis to be Surgeon. Dated 21st November 1864.

3d Devonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Abel George Clifton to be Ensign, vice Harris, resigned. Dated 12th November 1864.

5th Devonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

- Lieutenant Arthur William Leigh to be Captain, vice Collins, resigned. Dated 9th September 1864.
- Joseph Foster to be Lieutenant, vice Leigh, promoted. Dated 15th November 1864.
- Isaac Frost to be Ensign, vice Leigh, promoted. Dated 15th November 1864.

6th Devonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Anthony John Newman to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Gamble, resigned. Dated 23d November 1864.

13th Devonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

The Reverend Edward Bard to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 23d November 1864.

17th Devonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Francis Edmund Stacey to be Captain, vice Watson, resigned. Dated 1st October 1864.