AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR, December 11, 1869.

The Queen, as Sovereign of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, has been graciously pleased, by letters-patent under Her Royal Sign Manual and the Great Seal of the Order, bearing date respectively this day, to dispense with all the Statutes and Regulations usually observed in regard to Installation, and to give and grant unto Stratford, Viscount Stratford de Redeliffe, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath and George Frederick Samuel, Earl de Grey and Earl of Ripon, Lord President of the Council, Knights of the said Most Noble Order of the Garter, and duly invested with the Ensigns thereof, full power and authority to exercise respectively all rights and privileges belonging to a Knight Companion of the said Most Noble Order, in as full and ample a manner as if they had been formally installed; any decree, rule, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

WINDSOR CASTLE, December 11, 1869.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Joseph Causton, Esq., Alderman and Sheriff of the City of London, and Sheriff of the County of Middlesex.

WINDSOR CASTLE, December 11, 1869.

¹ The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on James Vallentin, Esq., ¹Sheriff of the City of London and County of Middlesex.

FOREIGN OFFICE, December 10, 1869.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr George H. Butler as Consul-General at Calcutta for the United States of America.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr Otto Burchardt as Consul at Liverpool for the North German Confederation.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr John Gibb as Consul at Dublin for His Imperial Majesty the Sultan.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr Rudolph Kummerer as Consul at Sydney for His Majesty the King of Wurtemberg.

WHITEHALL, December 11, 1869.

The Queen has been pleased to grant to the Reverend Charles Merivale, D.C.L., the Deanery of the Cathedral Church of Ely, void by the promotion of Doctor Harvey Goodwin, late Dean thereof, to the Bishoprick of Carlisle.

WHITEHALL, December 11, 1869.

The Queen has been pleased to present the Reverend John Downs to the church and parish of East Kilbride, in the presbytery of Hamilton, and county of Lanark, vacant by the death of the Reverend William Carrick, late Minister thereof.

DOWNING STREET, December 13, 1869.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Henry Simpson, Esq., to be Collector of Customs for Her Majesty's Settlement on the Gambia, on the Western Coast of Africa.

WAR-OFFICE, PALL-MALL, December 14, 1869.

6th Regiment of Dragoon Guards—Major William Thomas Betty to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Courtenay William Bruce, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

Captain John Fryer to be Major, by purchase, vice Betty. Dated 15th December 1869.

Lieutenant Hardin Burnley to be Captain, by purchase, vice Fryer. Dated 15th December 1869.

Cornet Florance Thomas Stephen Rippingall to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Burnley. Dated 15th December 1869.

11th Hussars—Cornet, with the rank of Lieutenant, Alan Coulston Gardner to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice John Delacour, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

Edward Archibald Young, gent. to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Gerald Westby Wellesley Richardson, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

3d Foot—Lieutenant Edward Girdlestone Graham to be Captain, by purchase, vice James H. Le Cocq, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

Ensign Arthur Trevor Leslie to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Graham. Dated 15th December 1869.

15th Foot—Ensign John Ingham to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Turner Warner Burt, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

William Edward Brown, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Ingham. Dated 15th December 1869.

Herbert Blakely Brown, gent to be Ensign, by purchase, vice James Browne, transferred to 77th Foot. Dated 16th December 1869.

The first Christian name of Ensign Pigou is Clarence, and not Charles, as stated in the Gazette of 30th November 1869.

16th Foot—Lieutenant Philip Neil has been permitted to retire from the service by the sale of his Commission. Dated 15th December 1869.

17th Foot—Ensign Charles Edward McCrea has been permitted to retire from the service by the sale of his Commission. Dated 15th December 1869.

22d Foot—Lieutenant Harry Bromley Pitman to be Captain, by purchase, vice Edward Murray Cookesley, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

Ensign William Charles Francis Molyneux to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Henry Hoste Swinny, who retires. Dated 15th December 1869.

30th Foot—Ensign Arthur William Morris Headley has been permitted to retire from the service by the sale of his Commission. Dated 15th December 1869.

34th Foot—The transfer of Ensign T. H. F. Strickland, from 73d Foot, which appeared in the Gazette of 29th October 1869, has been cancelled.

42d Foot—Paymaster, with the rank of Captain, Frank Samwell, from half-pay, late 102d Foot, to be Paymaster, vice honorary Captain James Arnold Bazalgette, placed on half-pay. Dated 15th December 1869.