

And the Commodore has also informed them of the capture, by Her Majesty's sloop *Ferret*, on the 28th September last, of a schooner, without colours or papers, but supposed to be the Brazilian schooner *Aventura*, with four hundred slaves on board; of the destruction of the Brazilian slave brigantine *Piedade*, completely equipped for the slave trade, by Her Majesty's sloop *Albatross*; and of the capture of the Spanish slave brigantine *Andaz*, completely equipped for the slave trade, on the 25th of September last, by Her Majesty's steam sloop *Prometheus*; of the capture of the Spanish slave schooner *Concepcion*, on the 23d September last, by Her Majesty's steam sloop *Growler*; of the detention, on the 30th August last, of a brigantine, name unknown, completely fitted for the slave trade, by Her Majesty's sloop *Star*; of the detention of a Brazilian felucca, called *Il Grande Poder de Dios*, bound to Bahia, with forty slaves on board, by Her Majesty's sloop *Wasp*; of the capture of a schooner, fully equipped for the slave trade, supposed to be the *Virginia* or *Alerto*, but without papers of any kind, by Her Majesty's steam ship *Penelope*, which ship had also driven on shore and destroyed a smaller schooner, of about forty tons, equipped for the slave trade, and probably Brazilian.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have promoted Mr. John Francis Tottenham, Mate of the *Hyacinth*, to the rank of Lieutenant.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, December 27, 1844.*

The Lord Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household has appointed the Honourable Mortimer Sackville-West to be one of the Gentlemen Ushers Quarterly Waiters in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of the Honourable Heneage Legge, deceased.

*Downing-Street, December 24, 1844.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Frederick Sedley, Esq. to be Inspector of Police for the Island of Malta.

*Whitehall, December 26, 1844.*

The Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, granting the dignity of a Knight of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland unto Chevalier Robert Schomburgh, recently at the head of the expedition for exploring the boundaries of the colony of British Guiana.

*Office of Ordnance, 26th December 1844.*

*Corps of Royal Engineers.*

Second Captain Alexander Gordon to be Captain, vice Rutherford, retired on full-pay. Dated 18th December 1844.

First Lieutenant Robert Gorges Hamilton to be Second Captain, vice Gordon. Dated 18th December 1844.

Second Lieutenant Edward Wolstenholme Ward to be First Lieutenant, vice Hamilton. Dated 18th December 1844.

First Lieutenant Henry Williamson Lugard to be Second Captain, vice Harness, seconded. Dated 20th December 1844.

Second Lieutenant William Howard Jesse to be First Lieutenant, vice Lugard. Dated 20th December 1844.

*Royal Regiment of Artillery.*

*Gentlemen Cadets to be Second Lieutenants.*

James Francis Eaton Travers, vice Desborough, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Honourable Edward Thomas Gage, vice Russell, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Neville Saltren Keats Bayly, vice Shaw, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

George Barston, vice Lennox, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

George Leslie, vice Henry, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Audley Mervyn Archdall, vice Flint, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Charles Wright, vice Taylor, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

John Everett Thring, vice E. Swinton, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

William Magrath King, vice Pison, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Henry Lambert Fulke Greville, vice Paterson, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Sidney Robert Bladen Swinny, vice Lucas, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Hugh Bent, vice J. D. Shakespear, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Francis Robert Glanville, vice Hamley, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Henry Jervis White Jervis, vice Field, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

*Corps of Royal Engineers.*

*Gentlemen Cadets to be Second Lieutenants.*

John Gordon Jervis, vice Galton, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Henry Whatley Tyler, vice Barlow, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

John Cromie Blackwood De Butts, vice Scott, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Walter Samuel Stace, vice Ross, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Gwavas Speedwell Tilly, vice Tuglis, promoted. Dated 19th December 1844.

Edward Stanton, vice Hope, deceased. Dated 19th December 1844.

*Admiralty, 21st December 1844.*

*Corps of Royal Marines.*

Second Lieutenant Edward Andrée Wylde to be First Lieutenant, vice James Loustet Brainer, to half-pay.