

Downing-Street, March 16, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Cornelius Kortright, Esq., to be President and Senior Member of the Council of the Virgin Islands.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 17, 1854.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul General at Havannah, enclosing copy of a translation of a Decree of the Cuban Government, extending the privileges of exemption from tonnage and other dues to vessels bringing coals to the ports of Cuba, a copy of which Decree is hereunto subjoined.

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(Translation.)

His Excellency, the Governor Captain-General and Delegated Superintendent of the Royal Revenues of this Island, has thought it convenient to announce to the public, for their information, that by Royal Order of the 24th December last, Her Majesty was pleased to determine as follows :

1st. That the vessels which enter the ports of this Island laden with coals in quantity equal to, or greater than, the measurement expressed in their certificates of registry, shall continue to enjoy the exemptions which have been conceded to them, even if they should bring other cargo besides.

2nd. That the vessels importing coals only, but in less quantity than their measurement, shall only be entitled to be relieved for the part occupied by the coal, and be subjected for the difference to the full payment of the tonnage, although with the enjoyment of the other exemptions.

3rd. That the vessels which, besides coals in quantity equal to their measurement, bring other cargo, in whatever quantity, are in the same classification as to the tonnage duty, but are subject to the payment of the clearing the harbour (pontoon), health visits, registries, and the rest corresponding.

4th and last. That the vessels which, upon their discharge of coal, show a proportion less by 20 per cent. than the quantity upon the manifest or the certificate of the respective consul, shall lose their right to all favour and be subjected to what is the rule generally for other vessels of trade ; it being the pleasure of Her Majesty that the period for such exemptions is to be understood for one year, to be counted from the date of this announcement, within which term they shall mark its effects, in order that, with a thorough knowledge thereof, in due time may be either definitively confirmed or revoked, as it may be found convenient.—Havana, 9th February, 1854.

(Signed) MANUEL DE CARBAJAL,
Secretary.

War-Office, 17th March, 1854.

2nd Regiment of Dragoon Guards, William George Stewart, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Dick, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

5th Dragoon Guards, Henry Hird Hay, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Godman, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

8th Light Dragoons, Regimental Serjeant-Major Henry Fletcher Lane to be Quartermaster, vice Landers, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 17th March, 1854.

10th Light Dragoons, Augustus Alfred de Bourbel, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Clark, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

13th Light Dragoons, John Dearden, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice King, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

1st, or Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards, The Honourable John Constantine Stanley to be Ensign and Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Crofton, appointed to the 7th Foot. Dated 17th March, 1854.

Scots Fusilier Guards, Ensign Archibald Campbell Campbell, from the 79th Foot, to be Ensign and Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Mostyn, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

7th Foot, Second Lieutenant Henry Mitchell Jones, from the 60th Foot, to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Palmer, who retires. Dated 17th March, 1854.

19th Foot, Ensign Ambrose Marshall Cardew to be Adjutant, vice Barrett, who resigns the Adjutancy only. Dated 17th March, 1854.

21st Foot, Godfrey Wentworth Beaumont, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Haddock, who retires. Dated 17th March, 1854.

22nd Foot, Ensign Thomas Newton Young (Adjutant) to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Baldwin, deceased. Dated 3rd January, 1854.

23rd Foot, Major Henry William Bunbury, from half-pay, Unattached, to be Major, vice Frederick J. Phillott, who exchanges. Dated 17th March, 1854.

George Stephen Butler, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Clarke, promoted. Dated 17th March, 1854.

Serjeant-Major Joseph Aston to be Quartermaster, vice Charles Grant, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 17th March, 1854.

26th Foot, George Edmund Phipps Trent, Gent., to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Hayne, who retires. Dated 17th March, 1854.

30th Foot, Lieutenant Campbell Barber Browne, from 84th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Tongue, promoted, without purchase, to an Unattached Company. Dated 17th March, 1854.

47th Foot, Lieutenant Thomas Roper to be Adjutant, vice Pilkington, who resigns the Adjutancy only. Dated 17th March, 1854.

60th Foot, James Hare, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice H. M. Jones, promoted in the 7th Foot. Dated 17th March, 1854.

68th Foot, Ensign Herbert Vaughan to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice W. F. W. Garforth, who retires. Dated 17th March, 1854.

James Marshall, Gent., to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Vaughan. Dated 17th March, 1854.

69th Foot, Lieutenant and Adjutant John Lindsay Maclean to be Captain, by purchase, vice Parker, who retires. Dated 17th March, 1854.

79th Foot, John Macdonald Leith, Gent., to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Archibald Campbell Campbell, promoted in the Scots Fusilier Guards. Dated 17th March, 1854.

86th Foot, Quartermaster-Serjeant Henry Hammond to be Quartermaster, vice Joseph Jerome, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 17th March, 1854.