his Lordship was introduced and invested with the Garter and the Ribband and George, with the like ceremonies.

The Chapter being ended, Garter, by Her Majesty's command, again called over the Knights Companions, who, with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign with the usual reverences.

#### At the Court at Buckingham Palace, July 12, 1856.

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 this day, to dispense with all the statutes and regulations usually observed in regard to Installations, and to grant unto the Right Honourable Hugh, Earl Fortescue, and the Right Honourable Henry John, Viscount Palmerston, Knights of the said Most Noble Order, and duly invested with the ensigns thereof, full power and authority to exercise all rights and privileges belonging to a Knight Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, in as full and ample a manner as if they had been formally installed, any decree, rule, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

# Foreign-Office, July 4, 1856.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Alexander Fraser, Esq., now British Consular Agent at Batavia, to be Her Majesty's Consul at Batavia.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Thomas Bonhote, Esq., now British Consular Agent at Sourabaya, to be Her Majesty's. Consul at Sourabaya.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Donald Maclaine, Esq., now British Consular Agent at Samarang, to be Her Majesty's Consul at Samarang.

### Downing-Street, July 14, 1856.

The Queen has been pleased, by licence, dated 20th February, 1856, to grant to John Ord, of Litherland, near Liverpool, late Master Mariner, Joseph Hindson and James Henshaw Hayes, of Liverpool, Merchants and Brokers, their executors, administrators, and assigns, the sole and exclusive right, for the term of five years from the date of such licence, to raise and take away guano and other substances capable of being used in manuring land, from the three Islands of Jibleea, Haskie and Ghurzoad, in or near the bay of Kooria Mooria, on the south coast of Arabia, and to construct all such works or buildings as may be necessary for that purpose, which said Islands (with the Islands of Halaaneea and Soda) were formerly part of the dominions of the Imaum of Muscat, and were by His Highness ceded to Her Majesty, her heirs and successors in full property and dominion.

### Downing-Street, July 15, 1856.

The Queen has been pleased to appint John Trounsell Gilbert, Esq., to be Solicitor-General for the colony of British Guiana, and Henry Tudor Davies, Esq., to be Chief Magistrate for the colony of Hong Kong. Board of Trade, Whitehall, *July* 14, 1856.

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 Ambassador at Paris, enclosing copy of a French Imperial Decree, authorizing the establishment of a depôt for native sugar at Havre.

Also copy of a Notification to the effect that machinery intended for the manufacture of drainage pipes will be admitted into France at the duty of 15 francs per 100 kilos.; machinery for the purpose of crushing or preparing the material for the tiles, or all other accessory machines imported singly, not being complete in itself for the manufacture of drainage pipes, will continue to pay the import duty applicable to machines other than steam-engines, not specified.

## War-Department, Pall-Mall, 15th July, 1856.

Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards, Lieutenant and Captain and Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel Cuthbert George Ellison to be Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel, without purchase, vice the Honourable A. F. Foley, promoted. Dated 8th July, 1856.

Admiralty, 9th July, 1856.

Corps of Royal Marines.

#### BREVET.

Captain Nicholas Moore having been allowed to retire on full pay, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council, 13th September, 1854, to be Major, the rank being honorary onlv.

Admiralty, 10th July, 1856.

Corps of Royal Marines.

First Lieutenant William James Kinsman to be Captain, vice Moore, retired.

Second Lieutenant Charles Durham Hocart Robilliard to be First Lieutenant, vice Kinsman, promoted.

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

## Forfarshire Yeomanry Cavalry.

Thomas George Bowes-Lyon, Earl of Strathmore, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 2nd May, 1856.

The Honourable Claude Bowes-Lyon, late Lieutenant 2nd Life Guards, to be Captain. Dated 2nd May, 1856.

David Graham-Drummond Ogilvy, Earl of Airlie,

to be Captain. Dated 3rd May, 1856. Sir Thomas Munro, Bart., late Captain 10th Hussars, to be Captain. Dated 4th May, 1856. William Henry Kennedy Erskine, late Captain 17th Lancers, to be Lieutenant. Dated 4th May, 1856.