

Whitehall, February, 21 1861.

The Queen, taking into her Royal consideration that upon the decease of James Andrew, Marquess of Dalhousie, in the peerage of the United Kingdom, and Earl of Dalhousie, in that part of the United Kingdom called Scotland, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, without issue male, which happened on or about the 19th day of December last, the dignity of Marquess of Dalhousie became extinct, but that the earldom of Dalhousie devolved upon Fox, Baron Panmure, now Earl of Dalhousie, Knight of the Most Ancient and of the Most Noble Order of the Thistle, and Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, as the eldest and only surviving son and heir of William, Baron Panmure, deceased, second son of George, Earl of Dalhousie, and that, according to the ordinary rules of honour, the sisters of the said Fox, now Earl of Dalhousie, cannot enjoy that place and precedence which would have been due to them in case their father, the said William, Baron Panmure, had survived his nephew, the said James Andrew, Marquess of Dalhousie, and had thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Earl of Dalhousie, Her Majesty has been pleased to ordain and declare that Mary Hamilton (commonly called the Honourable Mary Hamilton), the widow and relict of James Hamilton, of Bangour, in the shire of Linlithgow, Esq., Ramsay Macdonald (commonly called the Honourable Ramsay Macdonald), the wife of Donald Macdonald, of Sandside, in the shire of Caithness, Esq., and Christian Maule (commonly called the Honourable Christian Maule), spinster, the only surviving sisters of the said Fox, Earl of Dalhousie, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, pre-eminence, and precedence, as if their late father, William, Baron Panmure, had survived his nephew, the said James Andrew, Marquess of Dalhousie, and had succeeded to the title and dignity of Earl of Dalhousie.

And to command that the Royal order and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

Foreign Office, February 26, 1861.

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

Downing Street, February 27, 1861.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Walter Raleigh Kerr, Esq., to be Colonial Treasurer; and Edward Everard Rushworth, Esq., to be Auditor-General for the Island of Mauritius.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Gerard Oudkerk, Esq., to be Book-keeper, in the office of the Auditor-General for the Colony of British Guiana; and Richard Russell, Esq., to be Auditor-General for the Island of Trinidad.

Her Majesty has further been pleased to appoint John Hill Beresford, Esq., to be Colonial Secretary for the Island of Tobago; and Anthony Pemberton Hobson, Esq., to be Inspector-General of Police for the Island of Saint Vincent.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 1, 1861.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, from Her Majesty's Consul at Stockholm, reporting that a new Swedish Customs' Law will come into force on the 1st April next, by which the differences at present existing between bonding and warehousing in Swedish Ports will be abolished, and the warehousing duty of one quarter per cent. *ad valorem*, now in force, raised to 1 per cent. on the tariff rate, payable both on landing and reshipment.

Vessels of above twenty-four tons will not be required to produce a Consular Manifest, in lieu of which a Master's Manifest must be delivered.

Commission signed by the Queen.

3rd Battalion of Cheshire Rifle Volunteers.

Thomas Carpendale Baird, Esq., late Captain 39th Regiment, to be Adjutant. Dated 18th December, 1860.

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

Jestin Williams Fredricks, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 26th February, 1861.

3rd Brecknockshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant John Hotchkis to be Captain. Dated 14th February, 1861.

Ensign Sir Joseph Bailey, Bart., to be Lieutenant. Dated 14th February, 1861.

6th Brecknockshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Edward Williams, Gent., to be Lieutenant. Dated 14th February, 1861.

John Mortimer Bowen, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 14th February, 1861.

Reverend James Morgan, Clerk, to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 14th February, 1861.

David James Armstrong, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 14th February, 1861.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Chester, and County of the City of Chester.

4th Company of Cheshire Rifle Volunteers.

Edward William Bird, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 15th February, 1861.

MEMORANDUM.

6th Company Cheshire Rifle Volunteers.

Her Majesty has graciously approved of Captain P. S. Humberston assuming the title of Captain-Commandant.

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

Oxford University Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Serjeant-Major Arthur Frederick Pope to be Captain, vice Harvey, resigned. Dated 25th February, 1861.

Ensign the Honourable Edward Stanhope to be Lieutenant, vice Hale, resigned. Dated 25th February, 1861.