

routed with immense loss. The Ting Wong was drowned, the Mu Wong badly wounded, and an extraordinary number of Chiefs killed and taken prisoners, the rebels having incautiously trusted to a floating bridge, which gave way at the first rush for escape. What with killed, prisoners, and deserters (chiefly the last), ten thousand only are said to have got away, and the Chinese authorities express their confidence that this victory will have the effect of keeping the 30 miles round Shanghae free from rebels for some time to come.

Colonel Burgovine's men are said to have behaved extremely well, and to have shewn great confidence in their officers. Their loss was trifling.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) JOHN MARKHAM,  
Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Charge.

*The Honourable F. W. A. Bruce, C.B.,*  
&c., &c., &c.

*Buckingham Palace, January 27, 1863.*

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has been pleased to make the following appointments:

Sir William Dunbar, Bart., M.P., to be Keeper of the Privy Seal of His Royal Highness.

Sir William John Alexander, Bart., Q.C., to be Attorney-General of His Royal Highness.

To be the Council of His Royal Highness:

The Duke of Newcastle, K.G., Lord Warden of the Stannaries.

Sir William Dunbar, Bart., M.P., Keeper of the Privy Seal.

Sir William John Alexander, Bart., Q.C., Attorney-General.

Colonel the Honourable Sir Charles Beaumont Phipps, K.C.B., Receiver-General of the Duchy of Cornwall.

Lieutenant-General William Thomas Knollys, Comptroller and Treasurer of the Household of His Royal Highness.

The Lord Portman.

*Whitehall, January 26, 1863.*

The Queen has been pleased to present the Reverend Pascoe Grenfell Hill, B.A., to the rectory of Saint Edmund the King and Martyr with Saint Nicholas Acons, in the city and diocese of London, void by the death of the Reverend Thomas Hartwell Horne.

(69.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,*  
*January 26, 1863.*

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 Acting Consul-General in Peru enclosing a translation of a Decree of the Peruvian Government extending to British vessels of less than 200 tons burden the privilege of national treatment, as regards port, light, tonnage, pilot, and quarantine dues.

(52.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,*  
*January 26, 1863.*

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 Chargé d'Affaires, at Hamburg, enclosing a copy of an ordinance recently passed by the Senate of Hamburg, modifying, in various respects, the Customs' Laws of that State.

The principal alterations effected, are:—

- (1.) Goods in transit, whether the property of citizens or imported on account of foreigners, may pass free of customs' duty.
- (2.) The abolition of customs' duties on mohair yarn, mohair wool, slates, cement-stones, tufa stones, and the fat of whales, seals and walruses, for burning.
- (3.) Ships wholly laden with rice, salt, or herrings, are to pay only half tonnage duty (viz., 1½d. per ton English).
- (4.) Ships arriving or departing in ballast are exempt from tonnage duty.
- (5.) Ships not exceeding 60 commercial lasts burden (180 tons English), and taking no pilot, are exempted from pilotage duty.

The above alterations came into force on the 1st instant, and are to continue till the end of September next, equally with the other existing Customs' regulations.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*  
*27th January, 1863.*

In continuation of the notification which appeared in Gazette of 9th January, 1863:

#### BREVET.

The promotion of Lieutenant-Colonel James Metcalfe, C.B., Bengal Infantry, to the honorary rank of Colonel, and of Major Frederick Johnston, Bengal Infantry, to that of Lieutenant-Colonel, which appeared in the Gazette of 25th March, 1862, has been cancelled, in consequence of these Officers having been inadvertently included in the list of those Officers retired on full-pay of Her Majesty's Indian Forces, as entitled to honorary rank on retirement.

#### MEMORANDUM.

*1st Administrative Battalion of Surrey Rifle Volunteers.*

Adjutant Isaac King, late of Her Majesty's 41st Regiment of Foot, to serve with the rank of Captain. Dated 20th January, 1863.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent.*

William Alexander Mackinnon the younger, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 21st January, 1863.

*Commissions signed by Her Majesty's Commissioners of Lieutenancy for the City of London.*

*1st London Engineer Volunteer Corps.*

Second Lieutenant John Schwartz to be First Lieutenant. Dated 21st January, 1863.

Edward Swift Stillwell to be First Lieutenant. Dated 21st January, 1863.

Robert Bruce Napoleon Walker to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 21st January, 1863.

John Luker to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 21st January, 1863.