County of Essex.

West Essex Militia.

Lieutenant Edgar Bury to be Captain, vice Bridges, resigned. Dated 25th May, 1866.

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

2nd Administrative Battalion of Hampshire Rifle Volunteers.

The Earl Poulett to be Honorary Colonel. Dated 29th June, 1866.

19th Hampshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Christopher Crabb Creeke to be Captain. Dated 29th June, 1866.

Ensign Augustus Henry Parken to be Lieutenant, vice Creeke, promoted. Dated 29th June, 1866.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, and of the City and County of the City of Canterbury.

10th Kent Artillery Volunteer Corps.

John Frederick Beazley to be Second Lieutenant, vice Lamerton, promoted. Dated 26th June, 1866.

William Richard Buck to be Captain, vice Manifold, promoted. Dated 27th June, 1866.

19th Kent Rifle Volunteer Corps.

James Law Cuthbertson to be Ensign, vice Baker, promoted. Dated 26th June, 1866.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Lancaster.

2nd Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

William Shorrock Ashton, Esq., to be Captain. Dated 20th June, 1866.

Christopher Shorrock, Esq., to be Captain. Dated 20th June, 1866.

2nd Manchester Rifle Volunteer Corps.

James Atkinson Sharp, Esq., to be Captain, vice J. H. Jackson, deceased. Dated 20th June, 1866.

Nathaniel Stanley Crompton the younger, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 20th June, 1866.

Peter Smith, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 20th

June, 1866.

56th Lancashire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant Frederick Francis Ommanney to be Captain. Dated 21st June, 1866.

Lieutenant John Melton Bateman to be Captain. Dated 21st June, 1866.

Ensign Joshua Routledge to be Lieutenant. Dated 21st June, 1866.

Ensign Samuel Page to be Lieutenant. Dated 21st June, 1866.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Pembroke.

3rd Pembrokeshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.
Lieutenant Henry J. Adams to be Captain, vice
Stanley, resigned. Dated 28th June, 1866.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets.

2nd Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Corps.

A. Cole to be Ensign. Dated 31st May, 1866.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the East Riding of the County of York, and the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull.

East and North York Artillery Militia.

First Lieutenant John William Bain Hawkesworth to be Captain, vice Woodall, promoted. Dated 12th June, 1866.

MEMORANDUM.

The 12th Suffolk Rifle Volunteer Corps having been struck off the records of the War Office, will henceforth cease to hold any number or designation in the Volunteer Force of the county of Suffolk.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858,

HIRWAUN.—ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR SEPARATION FROM ABERDARE.

WHEREAS a Petition has been duly presented to me, under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1858, and as one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, such Petition being signed by not less than one-tenth of the ratepayers resident within the boundaries of that part of the Aberdare Local Board District, called Hirwaun, praying for the exclusion of Hirwaun aforesaid from the boundaries of such district of Aberdare. And whereas after due inquiry held and report made to me, by Arnold Taylor, Esq., the Inspector appointed for such purpose, I have considered the matters in question; now, therefore, I do hereby, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the aforesaid Local Government Act, dismiss the said Petition, and such Petition is dismissed accordingly.

Given under my hand this 30th day of June, 1866.

(Signed) G. Grey.

Home Office, Whitehall.

Contagious Diseases Prevention Act, 1864.

In pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, notice is hereby given, that a certificate of the Secretary of State for War and of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty has been granted relative to the Lock Wards of the London Lock Hospital, such certificate bearing date 2nd July, 1866.—Dated 2nd July, 1866.

By order of the Secretary of State for War,. Edward Lugard.

By order of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, T. G. Baring.

NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset House, June 25, 1866.

NOTICE is hereby given, to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of the tonnage bounties awarded for two slave dhows, names unknown, captured 4th and 15th May, 1865, respectively, by Her Majesty's ship "Rapid."

Agents or other persons having any just and legal demand, unliquidated, against the said bounties, are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the High-Court