

Republic, will be collected for the space of one year.

ART. 2. This contribution will commence to be collected at La Guaira and Puerto Cabello on the 15th of December next with respect to vessels from the West India Islands, the United States, and other countries of North America; and on the 15th January, 1868, with respect to vessels despatched from Europe and other places; at the other Custom-houses on the 31st of December of this year and the 31st of January of 1868, according to the places the vessels cleared from, in the order established for La Guaira and Puerto Cabello.

Sole §. Excepting:

1. Flour, which will continue to be subject to the same duty now paid.
2. Articles which the Tariff declares free.

ART. 3. The additional 20 per cent. is to be paid in cash if not exceeding \$300, and at two months credit if exceeding that amount.

ART. 4. The proceeds of this contribution are to be wholly applied to the requirements of the budget, to the expences of next Congress, and to the arrangement of the internal debt, and will be exclusively at the disposal of the Minister of Finance who by means of agents will collect the said contribution applying it expressly to the objects stated in this Article.

ART. 5. The said 20 per cent. now established will be deducted from the import duties in the course of the two following years to that in which this contribution is to be in force, at the rate of 10 per cent. in each year. They will commence to count from the dates on which the contribution begins to be collected in conformity with what is stipulated in Article 2.

ART. 6. The necessary measures for the due collection and scrupulous inversion of the impost hereby decreed will be issued separately.

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*Admiralty, 8th January, 1868.*

Lieutenant Albert Elms Kay has this day been promoted to the rank of Commander, with seniority from 27th September, 1867, for services whilst in command of Her Majesty's steam-vessel "Investigator" during an Expedition up the River Niger.

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*Admiralty, 9th January, 1868.*

The Reverend Alfred Simonet Malet has this day been appointed a Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet.

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*Queen's Commission.*

*1st Devon Militia.*

Thomas Bent, Esq., Captain half-pay, Royal Marines, to be Quartermaster, from the 30th November, 1867, vice Stone, deceased.

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

*3rd Cumberland Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

The Reverend Alfred Oates to be Honorary Chaplain. Dated 21st November, 1867.

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

*2nd Devonshire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

Henry John Cutler to be First Lieutenant. Dated 18th December, 1867.

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

*1st Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

Second Lieutenant Christopher Trueman Huthersal to be First Lieutenant. Dated 24th December, 1867.

*12th Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

James Cohen Cohen, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 28th December, 1867.

Bell Graham Williams, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 28th December, 1867.

*15th Lancashire Artillery Volunteer Corps.*

John Jones Nixon, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 19th December, 1867.

*Liverpool Rifle Volunteer Brigade.*

John Francis Cooper, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Fairclough, resigned. Dated 28th December, 1867.

*1st Manchester Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Lieutenant Jesse Pilcher to be Captain. Dated 28th December, 1867.

Ensign Edward Welbank Robinson Mitchell to be Lieutenant. Dated 28th December, 1867.

*3rd Manchester Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Richard John Linton, Gent., to be Ensign. Dated 24th December, 1867.

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

*4th Wiltshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Ralph William Caldwell (Major 2nd Administrative Battalion of Wilts Rifle Volunteers), to be Captain, vice Ward, resigned. Dated 23rd December, 1867.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of Captain Ralph William Caldwell bearing the title of Captain-Commandant of the 4th Wiltshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

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*Whitehall, December 18, 1867.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed James Brend Batten, of No. 32, Great George-street, Westminster, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

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TO all to whom these presents shall come, we, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, send greeting: Whereas it has been made to appear to us that certain tithes, or rent-charges in lieu thereof, arising within the new parish of Pontfadog, in the county of Denbigh, and in the diocese of Saint Asaph, belong to the Incumbent of the church of such new parish; Now, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of "The District Church Tithes Act,