

Whitehall, May 12, 1871.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Rowland Heathcote, of Hatfield, in the county of York, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his uncle, Lieutenant-Colonel Rowland Heathcote-Hacker (formerly Rowland Heathcote), of East Bridgeford, in the county of Nottingham, and of Chesterfield, in the county of Derby, deceased, henceforth take, use, and bear the surname of Hacker in addition to and after that of Heathcote, and also bear the arms of Hacker, such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect :

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

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*War Office, Pall Mall,
19th May, 1871.*

BREVET.

In consequence of the death of Major-General E. Lawford, Royal (late Madras) Engineers, on the 23rd March, 1871, the Commissions of the undermentioned Officers to be altered as follows, and the subsequent promotions to take place :—

Commission as Lieutenant-Colonel.

J. Roe, 11th Foot, to 24th March, 1871.

Commission as Major.

M. Spratt, Royal Marine Light Infantry, to 24th March, 1871.

Major W. G. R. Masters, half pay, Royal Marine Light Infantry, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, Dated 5th April, 1871.

Captain J. Bunce, Royal Marine Light Infantry, to be Major. Dated 5th April, 1871.

The following promotions to take place in succession to General Henry Edward Porter, who died on the 8th April, 1871 :—

Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Airey, G.C.B., Adjutant-General, Colonel of the 7th Foot, to be General. Dated 9th April, 1871.

Major-General Brook John Taylor, Colonel of the 2nd West India Regiment, to be Lieutenant-General. Dated 9th April, 1871.

Brevet-Colonel the Honourable A. E. Hardinge, C.B., from Lieutenant-Colonel, half-pay, late Coldstream Guards, to be Major-General. Dated 6th March, 1868, such antedate not to carry back pay prior to 9th April, 1871.

Major Trevor Goff, half-pay, Unattached, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 9th April, 1871.

Captain Lambert Henry Denne, Royal Artillery, to be Major. Dated 9th April, 1871.

The following promotions to take place in succession to Major-General D. Rainier, who died 10th April, 1871, in lieu of those announced in the Gazette of 21st April, 1871 :—

Brevet-Colonel Robert Newport Tinley, from Lieutenant-Colonel half-pay, late Cape Mounted Riflemen, to be Major-General. Dated 6th March, 1868, such antedate not to carry back pay prior to 11th April, 1871.

Captain and Brevet-Major Charles E. Cumberland, Royal Engineers, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 11th April, 1871.

Captain and Brevet-Major James Bevan Edwards, Royal Engineers, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 11th April, 1871.

Captain William Patterson, Adjutant Royal Military College, to be Major. Dated 11th April, 1871.

The following promotions to take place in succession to Lieutenant-General John Grattan, C.B., Colonel of the 17th Foot, who died on the 29th April, and Major-General John Douglas, C.B., who died on the 10th May, 1871 :—

Major-General George T. C. Napier, C.B., Colonel of the 96th Foot, to be Lieutenant-General. Dated 30th April, 1871.

To be Major-Generals,

dated 6th March, 1868, such antedate not to carry back pay prior to the dates specified against their names :—

Brevet-Colonel Edward Arthur Somerset, C.B., from Lieutenant-Colonel half-pay, Unattached, Dated 30th April, 1871.

Brevet-Colonel Arthur C. Goodenough, C.B., from Lieutenant-Colonel half pay, late Depot Battalion. Dated 11th May, 1871.

To be Lieutenant-Colonels.

Captain and Brevet-Major Charles Edward Astell half-pay 45th Foot, and Staff Officer of Pensioners. Dated 30th April, 1871.

Captain and Brevet-Major James Baillie, half-pay Unattached, and Staff Officer of Pensioners. Dated 11th May, 1871.

To be Majors.

Captain Norman Macdonald, 5th Foot. Dated 30th April, 1871.

Captain R. H. Brooke, half-pay, late Caylon Rifle Regiment, and Staff Officer of Pensioners. Dated 11th May, 1871.

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Admiralty, 17th May, 1871.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, the undermentioned Officer has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 10th instant :—

Lieutenant Napoleon Alexander Ralph Spicer.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Chief Engineer Thomas H. Punshon has been placed upon the Retired List from the 16th instant.

Admiralty, 18th May, 1871.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 1860, 1864, and 1866, the undermentioned retired Officers, having attained fifteen years seniority as Commander, have been allowed to assume the rank and title of Retired Captain, from the dates stated against their names :—

Retired Commanders :

Edward E. Morgan, 9th May, 1871.

Charles Bromley, 10th May, 1871.

Oswald Borland, 10th May, 1871.

William E. Fisher, 10th May, 1871.

Frank K. Hawkins, 10th May, 1871.