

57th Foot, Quartermaster-Serjeant Thomas Wood to be Quartermaster, vice J. Whittaker, retired on half-pay. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

77th Foot, Lieutenant Farquhar McCrae Bruce, from the 1st Dragoons, to be Lieutenant, vice J. F. Hornby, who exchanges. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

90th Foot, Henry de Courey Rawlins, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant D. Maclachlan, promoted. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

102nd Foot, Lieutenant John Harvey Blunt to be Captain, vice E. Dunbar, promoted. Dated 5th October, 1872.

106th Foot, Serjeant-Major Patrick Connell to be Quartermaster, vice Francis Mackey, deceased. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

*Medical Department*, Surgeon-Major John Richard Thomas retires on temporary half-pay. Dated 6th March, 1873.

#### BREVET.

The rank of Major-General, conferred on Brevet Colonel Burdett Richard Powell, Bombay Infantry, dated 5th February, 1873, should have been described in the Gazette of the 28th March, 1873, as *Local in the East Indies*.

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Francis Bythesea, half-pay, late 12th Foot, Chief Instructor School of Musketry, Hythe, having completed the qualifying service with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, to be Colonel. Dated 1st April, 1873.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Higgin Graham, 22nd Foot, to have the honorary rank of Colonel on retiring on full-pay. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Paymaster and Honorary Captain Maurice Hartland Mahon, 9th Lancers, to have the honorary rank of Major. Dated 8th March, 1873.

The undermentioned Officers who have retired upon full-pay to have a step of honorary rank as follows, viz. :—

#### *To be Major-Generals.*

Brevet-Colonel Evelyn Bradford, Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Brevet-Colonel John Wedderburn, Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Brevet-Colonel William Murray, Madras Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

#### *To be Colonels.*

Lieutenant-Colonel Alfred Louis Rishton, Madras Infantry. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Edward Taylor, Madras Infantry. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Lieutenant-Colonel Benjamin Robert Whittaker, Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

#### *To be Lieutenant-Colonels.*

Major Henry Richard Bradford, Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

Major Dacres William Wise, Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 23rd April, 1873.

The following promotions to take place consequent on the death, on 24th March, 1873, of Major-General Luke Smyth O'Connor, C.B. :—

Brevet Colonel William Charles Forrest, from Lieutenant-Colonel, half-pay, late 7th Dragoon Guards, to be Major-General, dated 6th March, 1868, such antedate not to carry back pay prior to 25th March, 1873.

Major Douglas Robinson, half-pay, late 72nd Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 25th March, 1873.

Captain Arthur Hill Hull, half-pay, Unattached, and Staff Officer of Pensioners, to be Major. Dated 25th March, 1873.

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

Josiah Radcliffe, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 15th April, 1873.

John William Maclure, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 15th April, 1873.

*Whitehall, April 4, 1873.*

The Right Honourable Henry Austin Bruce, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed Henry Hall, Esq., to be an Inspector of Coal and certain other Mines under "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872" (35 and 36 Vict., cap. 76).

*Civil Service Commission,  
April 22, 1873.*

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that an Open Competition for Clerkships (Class II), Supplementary Clerkships, &c., in the Civil Service, will be held in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin, on Tuesday, the 24th June, 1873, and following days, under the Regulations dated April 8, 1872, and published in the London Gazette of April 9, 1872.

Preliminary Examinations will be held in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin, on Friday, May 16, Friday, May 30, and Friday, June 6.

Any person wishing to be admitted to one of these Preliminary Examinations must fill up a prescribed form of application (which may be obtained from the Secretary) and return it so as to reach the Civil Service Commission ten days at least before the day selected for examination.

#### COTTON STATISTICS' ACT, 1868.

RETURN of the Quantities of COTTON Imported and Exported at the various Ports of the United Kingdom during the Week ended 17th April, 1873.

	Imports.		Exports.	
		Bales.		Bales.
American ... ..	...	13,742	...	3,638
Brazilian ... ..	...	5,149	...	895
East Indian ... ..	...	30,356	...	6,725
Egyptian ... ..	...	8,091	...	142
Miscellaneous ... ..	...	2,569	...	84
<b>Total ... ..</b>		<b>59,907</b>		<b>11,484</b>

Dated April 18, 1873.

R. VALPY,  
Statistical and Commercial Department,  
Board of Trade.

Official Notice.—Proposal to Change a Ship's Name.

I GEORGE JARDINE KIDSTON, of Glasgow, hereby give notice, that in consequence of change of owners and the vessels of the Clyde Shipping Company being named after light-houses on the coast, it is my intention to apply to