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Whitehall, September 15, 1877.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant to Richard Atkinson, of St. John's College, in the University of Oxford, Clerk, Master of Arts, Vicar of Cockerham, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a proviso contained in the last will and testament of Edmund Grimshaw, of Lincoln's Inn, in the county of Middlesex, and of Pierremont, in or near Broadstairs, in the Isle of Thanet, in the county of Kent, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, deceased, henceforth take and use the surname of Grimshaw, in addition to and after that of Atkinson, and bear the arms of Grimshaw quarterly, in the first quarter with those of Atkinson; 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 none effect:

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

Admiralty, 15th September, 1877.

Assistant-Paymaster Thomas William Snell has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of the 11th instant.

Admiralty, 17th September, 1877.

The undermentioned promotions have been made:—

Commanders:

Francis Richard Blackburne,
Robert Hornby Boyle,
to be Captains in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 25th August, 1877.

Commander Richard Henry Napier to be Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 1st September, 1877.

Lieutenants:

George Thomas Henry Boyes,
George Woronzow Allen,
to be Commanders in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 25th August, 1877.

Navigating Lieutenant Heaver Sugden to be Staff Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 12th instant.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 5th August, 1875—

Captain Edward Hood Lingard Ray has been placed on the Retired List from the 5th ultimo.

Royal Marines.

The undermentioned promotion has taken place in the Royal Marine Artillery, consequent upon the retirement, under the provisions of the Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, of Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel John W. H. C. G. Morris, viz. :—

Lieutenant Edward Rea Milner Crooke to be Captain. Dated 12th September, 1877.

Admiralty, 18th September, 1877.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, Admiral the Honourable Sir James Robert Drummond, K.C.B., has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 16th instant, and the following promotions, consequent on the above retirement, have been made, with seniority of the same date :—

Vice-Admiral Henry Chads to be Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Rear-Admiral George Granville Randolph, C.B., to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain the Honourable Henry Carr Glyn, C.B., C.S.I., to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the foregoing, the following promotion on the Retired List has also been made from the same date :—

Rear-Admiral Sir Leopold George Heath, K.C.B., to be Vice-Admiral on the Retired List.

India Office, 17th September, 1877.

HER Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following Admissions to the Bengal Staff Corps made by the Government in India :—

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenants.

Lieutenant J. A. C. Wedderburn, 54th Foot. Dated 11th February, 1876.

Lieutenant T. C. Pears, 70th Foot. Dated 11th February, 1876.

Lieutenant C. S. Wheler, 13th Hussars. Dated 25th February, 1876.