

Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel F. G. Slade, Royal Artillery, to be a Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General vice Lieutenant-Colonel E. H. Buller, the Rifle Brigade (the Prince Consort's Own), who has vacated that appointment on promotion. Dated 29th September, 1885.

The appointment of Lieutenant C. A. A. Frederick, Coldstream Guards, as Aide-de-Camp to Major-General A. J. Lyon-Fremantle, C.B., to bear date 25th May, 1885, and not 23rd May, 1885, as stated in the Gazette of 8th September, 1885.

The appointment of Captain H. S. FitzGerald, the Durham Light Infantry, as Staff Captain for Intelligence Duties in Egypt, to bear date 6th September, 1885, and not 21st August, 1885, as stated in the Gazette of 8th September, 1885.

Royal Military College, Major E. C. Milner, Royal Irish Regiment, to be an Instructor, vice Major H. T. Wing, the Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment), who has vacated that appointment. Dated 6th October, 1885.

Chaplains' Department, The Reverend Frederick J. Bateman, Chaplain to the Forces, Fourth Class, to be Chaplain to the Forces, Third Class. Dated 16th October, 1885.

Commissariat and Transport Staff, Assistant Commissary-General Basil Charles Boothby, having completed fifteen years' service in that rank, has been placed on retired pay, with the honorary rank of Deputy Commissary-General and honorary rank of Colonel. Dated 15th October, 1885.

Assistant Commissary-General John Igglesdon Troup, half-pay, has been placed on retired pay, on account of ill-health. Dated 17th October, 1885.

Medical Staff, Surgeon-Major Joseph Fleming, M.D., has retired on temporary half-pay. Dated 8th October, 1885.

Ordnance Store Department, Assistant Commissary-General of Ordnance W. R. Mayo, with the honorary and relative rank of Major, having completed five years' service in that rank, to have the honorary and relative rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 11th September, 1885.

Assistant Commissary-General of Ordnance R. Nicholls, with the honorary and relative rank of Major, having completed five years' service in that rank, to have the honorary and relative rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 25th September, 1885.

Army Pay Department, Paymaster and Honorary Major Sir Rodney Stuart Riddell, Bart., is placed on retired pay, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 21st October, 1885.

Lieutenant James Lowry, the York and Lancaster Regiment, to be Paymaster, with the honorary rank of Captain in the Army. Dated 26th March, 1885.

MEMORANDA.

The undermentioned Lieutenant-Colonels to be Colonels:—

Reginald Colvil William Mitford, Bengal Staff Corps. Dated 25th July, 1885.

Charles Swinhoe, Bombay Staff Corps. Dated 27th July, 1885.

William Harris Burland, the Princess of Wales's Own (Yorkshire Regiment). Dated 24th October, 1885.

Deputy Commissary and Honorary Captain Charles John Bather, Bombay Establishment, to have the honorary rank of Major, on retirement. Dated 1st August, 1885.

Deputy Commissary and Honorary Lieutenant William Spencer, Bombay Establishment, to have the honorary rank of Captain. Dated 21st May, 1885.

The date of the Gazette referred to in the Gazette of 13th October, 1885 (under the heading of Ordnance Store Department), is 25th August, 1885, and not 25th May, 1885.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

Captain Howard Coghlan to be Major. Dated 21st October, 1885.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the North Riding of the County of York.

William Harry Vane Milbank, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 16th October, 1885.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 174.)—AUSTRALIA—SOUTH COAST.
ST. VINCENT GULF—PORT ADELAIDE APPROACH.

(1.) *Semaphore Anchorage—Hulk altered in Position.*

INFORMATION has been received, that the hulk "Fitzjames, from which a fixed red light is exhibited at night, has been moved $3\frac{1}{2}$ cables in an E. by N. direction from her former position in Semaphore Anchorage, Largs Bay, approach to Port Adelaide.

NOTE.—This hulk is no longer available as a leading mark in connection with the highest chimney at Port Adelaide.

NEW ZEALAND.

NORTH ISLAND—NORTH-EAST COAST.

(2.) *Reported Rock Eastward of Poor Knights Islands.*

The Government of New Zealand has given notice, that the master of the brig "Vision" has reported, that when on the voyage from Sydney to Auckland, he passed within 60 yards of a sunken rock lying with the Northern of Poor Knights Islands bearing W. by N. approximately, distant about 15 miles:—

He states that this rock (Vision Rock) appeared to have about 3 to 4 fathoms water over it, and to be about 50 feet square, with dark crevices; the sea did not break on the rock, but there was a slight ripple along the edge, with much discoloured water around.

Approximate position, lat. $35^{\circ} 35\frac{1}{2}'$ S., long. $175^{\circ} 1\frac{1}{2}'$ E.

NOTE.—From the doubtful nature of the report, the existence of this danger cannot be considered certain. Vessels navigating in the vicinity should however exercise great caution.

[The bearings are magnetic. Variation (1) $5\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ (2) $13\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ Easterly in 1885.]

By command of their Lordships,

W. J. L. Wharton, Hydrographer.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
3rd October, 1885.

This Notice affects the following Admiralty Charts:—Approaches to Port Adelaide, No. 1752 (1); Port Adelaide, No. 1750 (1); Pacific, southwest sheet, No. 780 (2); South Pacific, western sheet, No. 788 (2); New Zealand, No. 1212 (2); Monganui Bluff to Manukau Harbour, No. 2543 (2); Hokianga to Tutukaka, No. 2525 (2). Also, Australia Directory, Vol. I, 1884, page 225; and New Zealand Pilot, 1883, page 18.