

signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

- Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1888.
 Copyright (Musical Compositions) Act, 1888.
 North Sea Fisheries Act, 1888.
 Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Highways) Act, 1888.
 Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Port) Act, 1888.
 Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Order Confirmation (Dublin Markets) Act, 1888.
 Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (Coleraine, Longford, and Tandragee) Act, 1888.
 Henley-on-Thames Gas Act, 1888.
 Stockton and Middlesbrough Waterworks Act, 1888.
 Wrexham, Mold, and Connah's Quay Railway Act, 1888.
 Hinckley Local Board Water Act, 1888.
 London Street Tramways (Extensions) Act, 1888.
 Belfast Street Tramways Act, 1888.
 Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1888.
 Leeds White Cloth Hall Act, 1888.
 Newport (Monmouthshire) Corporation Water Act, 1888.
 South-Eastern Railway (Various Powers) Act, Uckfield Water Act, 1888.
 South Lincolnshire Fen Water Act, 1888.
 Wirral Railway Act, 1888.
 Cork, Bandon, and South Coast Railway Act, 1888.
 Aberpergwm Estate (Bridges) Act, 1888.
 Seafield Dock and Railway (Extension of Time and Further Powers) Act, 1888.
 Lynmouth and Lynton Lift Act, 1888.
 North British Railway (Bridgeton Cross Extension) Act, 1888.

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Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
 London, July 3, 1888.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 1st instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon:—"Ports of Presidency of Bombay declared to be infected with cholera from May 15th, and Macao from May 10th."

Admiralty, 4th July, 1888.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

THE undermentioned Officers have been promoted to the rank of Major, by Brevet, under the provisions of Order in Council of 19th March, 1883:—

- Captain Herbert Eyre Robbins. Dated 22nd June, 1888.
 Captain Cosmo George Gordon. Dated 22nd June, 1888.

Admiralty, 5th July, 1888.

Navigating Lieutenant James Frederick Foot has been promoted to the rank of Staff Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 2nd June, 1888.

War Office, Pall Mall,
 6th July, 1888.

Royal Engineers, The undermentioned Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels, upon completion of five years' service as Regimental Lieutenant-Colonels, to be placed on half-pay:—

Charles John Moysey, C.M.G. Dated 10th July, 1888.
 John Roberts Hogg. Dated 14th July, 1888.

Major and Colonel Bindon Blood to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Colonel C. J. Moysëy, C.M.G. Dated 10th July, 1888.

Major James Gore Booth to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Colonel J. R. Hogg. Dated 14th July, 1888.

Captain Claude Reignier Conder to be Major, vice J. C. Ross, C.M.G. (late Bengal), placed on half-pay. Dated 1st July, 1888.

Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Douglas Alexander Scott, D.S.O., to be Major, vice F. F. Cotton (late Bengal), placed on half-pay. Dated 1st July, 1888.

Lieutenant William Yolland to be Captain, vice C. R. Conder. Dated 1st July, 1888.

Lieutenant Alfred Montgomery Mantell to be Captain, vice Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel D. A. Scott, D.S.O. Dated 1st July, 1888.

Sergeant-Major George Henry Hitching to be Quartermaster, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant, to complete Establishment. Dated 7th July, 1888.

Coast Battalion, Quartermaster-Sergeant William Montgomery to be Lieutenant. Dated 7th July, 1888.

MEMORANDUM.

Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Frederick Cotton, half-pay, Royal (late Bengal) Engineers, has retired upon a pension and extra annuity. Dated 2nd July, 1888.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Durham.

Slingsby Arthur Duncombe Shafto, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the West Riding of the County of York, and of the City and County of the City of York.

Sir Albert Kaye Rollit, Knt., M.P., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the City and County of the City of Edinburgh, and Liberties thereof.

Thomas Aitken, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

House of Commons.

NATIONAL DEBT.

(NOTICE OF REDEMPTION.)

Resolved, — That the Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities and the Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities shall be redeemable at any time after the expiration of one year from the date at which a Copy of this Resolution, having been inserted in the London Gazette, is affixed on the Royal Exchange in London, by payments of not less than five hundred thousand pounds at any one time, in manner directed by any Act to be passed.

I certify that the above Resolution was agreed to by the House of Commons at the sitting of the 5th July, 1888.

ARTHUR W. PEEL, Speaker.