

The undermentioned Majors, from the Royal Artillery, to be Lieutenant-Colonels:—

John Minnitt Tabor. Dated 31st December, 1890.

Henry George Fombelle Siddons. Dated 31st December, 1890.

Edward Lake. Dated 31st December, 1890.

Augustus Browne. Dated 1st January, 1891.

John Ponsonby Cundill. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Alfred Foulger Fletcher. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Charles William Kennaway. Dated 1st January, 1891.

James Carnegie Gillespie. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Arthur Greenwood Walker. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Philip Keith Lonsdale Beaver. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Norton Powlett. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Charles Edward Brown. Dated 1st January, 1891.

Ramsay William Rainsford-Hannay. Dated 9th January, 1891.

John George Uppleby. Dated 9th January, 1891.

#### MEMORANDA.

Lieutenant-Colonel Edward Nash, from half-pay, retires on retired pay. Dated 31st December, 1890.

Lieutenant-Colonel William C. Howarth, from half-pay, retires on retired pay. Dated 31st December, 1890.

Quartermaster, with the honorary rank of Captain, Edward John Dolton, Army Service Corps, has been granted the honorary rank of Major. Dated 23rd December, 1890.

#### INDIAN STAFF CORPS.

Colonel Henry Glover Puckle, Madras, has been transferred to the Unemployed Supernumerary List. Dated 9th December, 1890.

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

The Lord D'Arcy Godolphin Osborne to be Deputy Lieutenant.

26th December, 1890.

HONG KONG, CEYLON, STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, LABUAN, BRITISH NORTH BORNEO, AND SARAWAK.

#### REDUCTION OF LETTER POSTAGE.

#### TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of all powers given to us by the Post Office Acts, or any of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

#### Definition.

1. In this Warrant the expression "United Kingdom" includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

#### Rates of Postage.

2. On every letter transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and Hong Kong, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, Labuan, British North Borneo, and Sarawak, there shall be charged and

paid (in lieu of any rates now payable) for every half of an ounce in weight of such letter or fractional part of half of an ounce in weight a rate of postage of two pence halfpenny.

#### Application of Provisions of other Warrants.

3. All such letters as are hereinbefore referred to shall, subject to the provisions of this Warrant, be posted, forwarded, conveyed, and delivered under and subject to the provisions of any Treasury Warrant now or for the time being in force applicable thereto.

#### Commencement of Warrant.

4. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

#### Date.

Dated this twenty-sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

*Herbert Fustace Maxwell,*

*Sidney Herbert,*

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

*Henry Cecil Raikes,*

Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

27th December, 1890.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, NATAL, ST. HELENA, ASCENSION, TRANSVAAL, ORANGE FREE STATE, AND BRITISH BECHUANALAND. REDUCTION OF LETTER POSTAGE, POSTCARD RATES FOR NATAL, GENERAL ABOLITION OF FINE SYSTEM.

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#### Definitions.

1. In this Warrant the expression "United Kingdom" includes the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

#### Rates of Postage.

2. On every letter transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and the Cape of Good Hope, Natal, or Ascension, and from the United Kingdom to St. Helena there shall be charged and paid (in lieu of any rates now payable) for every half of an ounce in weight of such letter or fractional part of half an ounce in weight a rate of postage of four pence halfpenny if transmitted overland via Lisbon and by Colonial Packet, and if transmitted by any other route or means of conveyance two pence halfpenny.

3. On every letter transmitted by post between the United Kingdom and the Transvaal, the Orange Free State, or British Bechuanaland, there shall be charged and paid (in lieu of any rates now payable) for every half of an ounce in weight of such letter or fractional part of half an ounce in weight a rate of postage of six pence if transmitted overland via Lisbon and by Colonial Packet Boat, and if transmitted by any other route or means of conveyance four pence.

#### Unpaid and insufficiently prepaid Letters.

4. Any letter posted in the United Kingdom addressed to the Cape of Good Hope, Natal, St. Helena, Ascension, the Transvaal, the Orange