Colonel Sir St. Vincent A. Hammick, Bart., Assistant Adjutant-General, Egypt, is placed on retired pay. Dated 10th April, 1896.

Colonel Frederick C. Ruxton, half-pay, is placed on retired pay. Dated 11th April, 1896. Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel John P. E.

Jervoise, half-pay, is placed on retired pay. Dated 15th April, 1896.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. H. Scott is granted the substantive rank of Colonel in the Army, as Inspector-General of Ordnance, Bengal Command. Dated 6th February, 1896.

INDIAN STAFF CORPS.

Colonel Theophilus Higginson, C.B., is transferred to the Unemployed Supernumerary List.

Dated 4th April, 1896.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

- Captain D. Dickson, Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel, late the Queen's Rifle Volunteer Brigade, the Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment), resigns his Commission. Dated 22nd April, 1896.
- Lieutenant F. H. Green, 1st London Volunteer Rifle Corps, to be Lieutenant. Dated 22nd April, 1896.
- The undermentioned Officers to be Second Lientenants. Dated 22nd April, 1896:-
- Second Lieutenant E. G. S. Cooke, 1st London Volunteer Rifle Corps.
- Second Lieutenant F. H. Whittow, 1st London Volunteer Rifle Corps.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred on me by "The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1894," and upon application by the County Council of the Administrative County of Dorset, I hereby make the following Order :-

The taking or destroying of the Eggs of the following Wild Birds, namely :---

Dabchick, or Little Grebe, Chough, Common, Lesser, and Arctic Terns, Common Sandpiper, Coot, Curlew, Heron, Oyster Catcher, Pipits, Pochards, Raven, Redshank, Ringed Plover or Dotterel, Sheldrake, Stonechats, Water Rail, Wheatear, is prohibited within the following areas, namely :--

The district or area on the east of Wareham, bounded by the main road leading to Blandford as far as the junction thereof with the Poole and Dorchester main road, thence westwards, bounded by the said Poole and Dorchester main road for about three-quarters of a mile to a point at right angles to Stroud Bridge, on the Bere and Wareham main road, thence through Cold Harbour to Wareham, and also the district or area known as The Chesil Bank, together with the West and East Fleet, the coast of Portland Roads, from Portland Castle to Sandsfoot Castle, Lodmoor.

The clitfs from White Nose to Lulworth Cove, the cliffs from St. Alban's Head to Swanage, Studland Bay, Little Sea, and the coast from Studland to the entrance to Poole Harbour, and in each case a distance of two furlongs inland from the nearest point of highwater mark.

Foole Harbour, and an area situate within the following boundaries :--- A line drawn from the coast opposite Little Sea, past Quay, to within one furlong of Neas Point, and thence to Wych, the road to Corfe Castle, through Wareham to Stroud Bridge, thence to Morden Mill, the road over Sherford Bridge to Sandford Bridge, thence to Keysworth and East Holton, thence to Lytchett

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Minster, through Upton to Bushels Mill, the main road to Longfleet and Poole, thence along the main road to the county boundary at Bournemouth, and along such boundary to the coast.

The above areas are shown in pink on a map deposited with the County Council and scaled with the seal of this office.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 16th

day of April, 1896. M. W. Ridley, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

- ORDER OF THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL RE-ARRANGING THE **RE - ARRANGING** WARDS OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, ISLINGTON, APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.
 - To the Vestry of the parish of St. Mary, Islington ;

And all whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by section 15 of the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1893, as amended by the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1895, section 42, it is enacted that the London County Council may from time to time for the purpose of Elections of Vestrymen, upon the application in writing of the Vestry, or of not less than five hundred rated householders of a parish mentioned in Schedules A and B to the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, by order under their seal, re-arrange the wards in such parish, and determine the number, extent, limits, and boundary lines of the new wards, but so nevertheless that no ward shall contain less than five hundred rated householders, and the Council shall, in making any such re-arrangement apportion among the several wards the number of Vestrymen to be elected for such parish, and shall in assigning the number of Vestrymen to each ward have regard so far as practicable as well to the number of persons rated to the relief of the poor in each ward as to the aggregate amount of the sums at which all such persons are rated, and the number of Vestrymen assigned to each ward shall be a number divisible by three; and it is also by the said London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1893, enacted that any such Order may contain such provisions with reference to the election, rotation and retirement of Vestrymen (whether elected prior or subsequently to the date of the Order) as the Council may think necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Order.

And whereas the parish of St. Mary, Islington, is a parish mentioned in Part I of Schedule A to the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and pursuant to the provisions of the said Act, the said parish was divided into eight wards.

And whereas the vestry of the said parish hath applied to the London County Council to rearrange the wards of the said parish pursuant to the provisions of the said 15th section of the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1893, as amended by section 42 of the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1895.

And whereas it appears from the rate books of the said parish prepared in the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, that the said parish contains forty-one thousand five hundred and sixty-eight rated householders, and that the ratable annual value of property, exclusive of the public companies, in the said parish is one million four hundred and eighty-six thousand one hundred and sixty-five pounds.