

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Welsh Regiment*, The undermentioned Captains and Honorary Majors resign their Commissions; also are permitted to retain their rank, and to continue to wear the uniform of the Battalion on their retirement:—

J. Jones. Dated 9th May, 1896.

R. Thomas. Dated 9th May, 1896.

Lieutenant F. J. David resigns his Commission. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*4th (Perthshire) Volunteer Battalion, the Black Watch (Royal Highlanders)*, John Lawrence Miller, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*1st (Oxford University) Volunteer Battalion, the Oxfordshire Light Infantry*, Lieutenant A. H. C. James to be Captain. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment*, Acting Chaplain the Reverend F. R. C. Hutton, M.A., resigns his appointment. Dated 9th May, 1895.

*1st Volunteer Battalion, the King's Own (Yorkshire Light Infantry)*, James Preston, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*1st Volunteer Battalion, the King's (Shropshire Light Infantry)*, Captain and Honorary Major H. A. Hughes resigns his Commission; also is permitted to retain his rank, and to continue to wear the uniform of the Battalion on his retirement. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*12th Middlesex (Civil Service)*, Surgeon-Lieutenant T. H. Dickson, M.B., to be Surgeon-Captain. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*13th Middlesex (Queen's Westminster)*, Captain A. C. Comerford resigns his Commission. Dated 9th May, 1896.

Lieutenant A. J. Knowles to be Captain. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Manchester Regiment*, The undermentioned Gentlemen to be Second Lieutenants:—

John James Whitehead. Dated 9th May, 1896.

Arthur Herbert Broome Foster. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment)*, The Reverend S. W. Jones, M.A., to be Acting Chaplain. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Highland Light Infantry*, Major and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel J. D. Young is seconded whilst holding the appointment of Supply and Transport Officer to the Glasgow Volunteer Infantry Brigade. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*3rd (The Blythwood) Volunteer Battalion, the Highland Light Infantry*, James Allan Wilson, M.D., to be Surgeon-Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Volunteer Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders*, Captain W. Mackie to be Major. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*4th (Donvide Highland) Volunteer Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders*, Captain W. Henry resigns his Commission. Dated 9th May, 1896.

Quartermaster L. Cant resigns his Commission. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*1st (Inverness-shire Highland) Volunteer Battalion, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders*, Gilbert Innes, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1896.

*7th Middlesex (London Scottish)*, Captain G. W. Hampton is granted the honorary rank of Major. Dated 9th May, 1896.

William Nicol Polson, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant (Supernumerary). Dated 9th May, 1896.

*2nd Tower Hamlets*, Stanley Elston Austin, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th May, 1896.

## THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.

### STAINES FAIRS.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Urban District Council of Staines, that Fairs have been annually held on the 11th May and 19th September, at Staines, in the county of Middlesex, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should be abolished:

And whereas notice of the said representation, and of the time when I should take the same into consideration, has been duly published in pursuance of "The Fairs Act, 1871:"

And whereas, on such representation and consideration, it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fairs should be abolished:

And whereas Sir Charles Gibbons, Bart., Lord of the Manor of Staines, as lord or owner of the said Fairs and the tolls thereof, has consented in writing that the said Fairs should be abolished:

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1871," do hereby order that the Fairs which have been annually held on the 11th May and 19th September, at Staines, in the county of Middlesex, shall be abolished.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 7th day of May, 1896.

M. W. Ridley.

## FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACTS, 1878 to 1895.

THE Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, pursuant to section 3 (3) of "The Rules Publication Act, 1893," that on the 1st May, 1896, he made an Order under section 52 of "The Factory and Workshop Act, 1878," with regard to the meal-times of children, young persons, and women employed in factories or workshops in which the process of printing photographs is carried on.

Copies of the Orders can be purchased at the Sale Office for Official Publications, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, East Harding-street, Fleet-street, E.C.

Whitehall, May 8, 1896.

## ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 6TH MAY 1896.)

(SWINE-FEVER INFECTED AREA.)

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The Order described in the Schedule to this