

The Dorsetshire Regiment, Captain Arthur G. FitzR. Day is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Indian Volunteers. Dated 12th July, 1897.

The York and Lancaster Regiment, Major Charles K. Colhoun retires on retired pay. Dated 1st September, 1897.

Captain S. Frederick Grosvenor to be Major, vice C. K. Colhoun. Dated 1st September, 1897.

Supernumerary Captain Arthur S. Palmer to be Captain, vice S. F. Grosvenor. Dated 1st September, 1897.

The Rifle Brigade (the Prince Consort's Own), Captain Wellesley G. Pigott retires from the Service receiving a gratuity, with permission to retain his rank and wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 1st September, 1897.

Supernumerary Captain John S. Cowans to be Captain, vice W. G. Pigott. Dated 1st September, 1897.

Staff, Colonel Sir H. C. Chermiside, K.C.M.G., C.B., to be a Colonel on the Staff to Command the British Troops in the Island of Crete. Dated 14th April, 1897.

Brevet Colonel W. Creagh, from Lieutenant-Colonel half-pay, to be an Assistant Adjutant-General, and to have the substantive rank of Colonel in the Army, vice Colonel R. S. Liddell, retired. Dated 5th August, 1897.

Major W. L. James, the King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment), to be a District Inspector of Musketry. Dated 12th July, 1897.

Captain D. H. Alexander, the Prince of Wales's Own (West Yorkshire Regiment), to be Aide-de-Camp to the Right Honourable the Earl of Ranfurly, K.C.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of New Zealand. Dated 2nd June, 1897.

Army Medical Staff, Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel M. M. Gallwey, M.D. is placed on retired pay. Dated 22nd August, 1897.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Charles H. Swayne to be Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel, vice M. M. Gallwey, M.D. Dated 22nd August, 1897.

MEMORANDA.

The promotion of Major-General A. G. Yeatman-Biggs, C.B., Royal Artillery, is post-dated to 16th June, 1897.

Colonel Henry St. John Vaughan Le Marchant Thomas-Le Marchant, Colonel on the Staff commanding Royal Artillery, North Eastern District, is placed on retired pay. Dated 13th August, 1897.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Arthur Augustus Saunders, on vacating his appointment as Chief Instructor and Commandant of the Artillery School at Golden Hill, Isle of Wight, is placed on half-pay. Dated 28th May, 1897.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel John B. S. Bullen, half-pay, retires on retired pay. Dated 1st September, 1897.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

The Local Government Act, 1894.

THE HALESOWEN WAKE AND THE LYE WAKE.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Rural District Council of Halesowen, that the following Fairs have been hitherto held within the rural district:—

The Halesowen Wake Fair, held on the Mon-

day on or following the 9th day of October in each year;

The Lye Wake Fair, held on the first Sunday after the first day of November in each year;

and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that such Fairs should in future be held on the first Monday in August in each year:

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, 1873":

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 in future be held on the first Monday in August in each year:

Now therefore I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1873," do hereby order that the Fairs which have been annually held as above mentioned shall in future be held on the first Monday in August in each year.

This Order shall not come into effect until after the 1st January, 1898.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 24th day of August, 1897.

M. W. Ridley.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

The Local Government Act, 1894.

BELPER FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Urban District Council of Belper, that a Fair has been annually held on the 31st day of October and the 1st day of November in each year, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should in future be held on the Thursday and Friday nearest to the 30th of October in each year:

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, 1873":

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 Fair should in future be held on the Thursday and Friday nearest to the 30th of October in each year:

And whereas Timothy White, Esq., as lord or owner of the said Fair and the tolls thereof, has consented in writing that the said Fair should in future be held on the Thursday and Friday nearest to the 30th of October in each year:

Now therefore I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me, by "The Fairs Act 1873," do hereby order that the Fair which has been annually held on the 31st day of October and the 1st day of November in each year shall in future be held on the Thursday and Friday nearest to the 30th of October in each year.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 26th day of August, 1897.

M. W. Ridley.

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 31ST AUGUST 1897.)

(PLEURO-PNEUMONIA INFECTED PLACE.)

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in