Thistle: in 1770 he was promoted to the rank of general. He died at Bath on the 12th of April, 1775.

## JAMES JOHNSTON,

Appointed 26th April, 1775.

James Johnston was many years an officer of the Royal Horse Guards (Blues); he served at the battles of Dettingen and Fontenoy, and was promoted to the majority of the regiment in November, 1750, and to the lieut.-colonelcy in December, 1754. He commanded the Blues at several actions in Germany during the seven years' war, and was rewarded, in 1762, with the colonelcy of the First Irish Horse, now Fourth Dragoon Guards. He was promoted to the rank of major-general in 1770, and was removed to the colonelcy of the Eleventh Dragoons in 1775. He was further advanced to the rank of lieut.-general in 1777, and was removed to the Scots Greys in 1785, the colonelcy of which corps he retained until his decease in 1795.

## THE HONORABLE THOMAS GAGE,

Appointed 4th February, 1785.

THE HONORABLE THOMAS GAGE, son of Thomas, first Viscount Gage of Castle Island in Ireland, was several years an officer of the Forty-fourth Foot, and was promoted to the lieut.-colonelcy of the regiment on the 26th of February, 1751. He was serving with the Forty-fourth, in North America, when hostilities commenced between the British and French, respecting the boundaries of their possessions, and commanded