

## ADMIRALTY OFFICE, Aug. 19.

Copy of a letter from Captain LAKE, Commander of his Majesty's ship *Proserpine*, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated *Proserpine*, Leith Roads, the 12th of August 1797.

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Be pleased to acquaint the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, on the 3d instant, cruising to the southward of Shetland, I captured a Dutch privateer schooner, out of Rotterdam, called the *Unity*, of 10 guns and 50 men, with her prizes, an English ship and brig, which she had taken off Buchanefs, and was carrying over to Norway.

I have, &amp;c.

W. T. LAKE.

## ADMIRALTY OFFICE, Aug. 19.

Copy of a letter from Captain PEARSON, of his Majesty's sloop *Stork*, dated off Scarborough, the 16th of August 1797, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq.

I have to acquaint you, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, on the night of the 15th instant, at eleven P. M. in his Majesty's sloop *Stork* under my command, the *Humber* bearing West about four leagues, I fell in with, and, after a short chase, captured *Le Lynx*, a French lugger privateer, of 14 guns and 50 men, belonging to Dunkirk; which place she sailed from on the 13th, and I am very happy to say had taken nothing.

## DUBLIN CASTLE, Aug. 12.

This day being the anniversary of the birth of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the great guns at the salute battery in his Majesty's Park the Phoenix were fired three rounds, and answered by volleys from the regiments in garrison, which were drawn up in the Royal Square at the barracks. In the evening a play was given by his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to the Ladies; and at night there were bonfires, illuminations, and every other demonstration of joy throughout the city.

## BANKRUPTS.

Tho. Appleby, late of Blackfriars-Road, horse-dealer.  
Stephen Hodges, late of Oundle, Northampton, innholder.  
James Collins of Elvington, York, farrier.  
Geo. Richardson, late of Carlisle-street, Westminster, money-scrivener.  
Dun. Stewart of Grace-church Street, London, baker.  
Thomas Swan of Manchester, liquor-merchant.

## JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF CAITHNESS.

There will be exposed to SALE, by way of public roup, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, by authority of the Lords of Council and Session, upon Wednesday the 29th day of November 1797, betwixt the hours of five and seven in the afternoon,

THE LANDS and OTHERS after-mentioned, which pertained to the deceased Capt. THOMAS DUNBAR of WESTFIELD, in the Lots and at the Upset Prices following, viz.

## LOT I.

THE TOWNS and LANDS of FORSIE, alias FORSIE-KIVER, comprehending the Pendicles called AUCHAHTER and KNOCKGLASS, with their pertinents, lying in the parish of Hallkirk and sheriffdom of Caithness.—The proven gross rental of the lands contained in this lot is L.86 : 15 : 7 Sterling, including the conversion of customs and carriages; and the only deduction therefrom is a proportion of 3 bolls 3 firlots 1 peck victual, and of L.2 : 15 : 2 1-12th Sterling, payable from this lot and lot 2d to the minister of Hallkirk, and a proportion of 6s. 11d. Sterling of schoolmaster's salary.—There has not yet been discovered any complete heritable rights in the common debtor to the teinds of these lands; and the same have been hitherto possessed upon old tacks from the Bishops, and renewals thereof may be obtained from the Exchequer, which places the right of the teinds in a situation nearly as favourable to the proprietor as an heritable right; but the full free teind being deduced from the rental in the sale,

the forefaid subjects in lot 1st are on that account to be exposed at the upset price of L.1741 : 3 : 2 Sterling.

The lands in this lot hold feu of Sir John Gordon Sinclair of Muckle, Bart. for the yearly payment of 3s. 4d. Scots money. The properties in this lot are of great extent, both of good arable land and pasture, and capable of great improvement; and the greatest part thereof having been liferented for a great many years by the widow of the Hon. Mr Francis Sinclair, and let by her in tack to a near relation at a very inadequate rent; and the proof of the rental having been taken while this life-rent and tack subsisted, the same since the life-rent's death has been set from year to year by the judicial factor at a considerable advanced rent; and it is perfectly known, that, on permanent leases, these properties would yield a great rise of rent.

## LOT II.

The MAINS and MILN TOWN of LEURARIE, now called WESTFIELD, and Mill thereof, with the Mill Lands, Maltres, and Pertinents of the same, lying in the said parish of Hallkirk and sheriffdom of Caithness.—The proven rental of this lot is L.66 : 11 : 5 Sterling, including the conversion of customs and carriages, under deduction of a proportion of the forefaid stipend and school salary payable to the minister and schoolmaster of Hallkirk.—The common debtor's right to the teinds are in the same state as those of lot 1st; and a deduction being made on that account in the sale, the properties in lot 2d are to be exposed at the upset price of L.1335 : 13 : 11 Sterling.

The properties in this lot also hold of a subject superior in blench, or in feu for payment of a trifling elusory feu-duty; and are also of great extent, in good arable land and pasture, and capable of great improvement. There is a modern mansion-house and offices on this lot, pleasantly situated on the banks of a beautiful and extensive lake, well stored with a variety of fish, and affording good marble for the improvement of the lands, or for sale; and there is also some thriving Timber adjacent to the mansion-house, well advanced; and with all these advantages, a great rise of rent, on permanent leases, may also be expected on this lot.

## LOT III.

All and whole the Twelve Penny Lands of OUST, with the Manor Place thereof; the Town and Lands of ACHAVINBIST; the Town and Lands of SHENNACHY, with the Pendicles of the same, called Newquoy and Bulenhamper, and haill Pertinents, all lying in the parish of Thurso and sheriffdom of Caithness.—The proven rental of this lot is L.140 : 5 : 5 8-12ths Sterling, including the conversion of customs and carriages; and the only deduction therefrom is L.2 : 18 : 9 8-12ths Sterling of money, and 1 boll 1 peck victual, payable from those lands to the minister of Thurso, and of 9s. 6d. payable to the schoolmaster of Thurso; but the common debtor's right to the teinds being in the same state as the preceding lots, and a deduction being made from the rental on that account, the whole properties in lot 3d are to be exposed at the upset price of L.2314 : 10 : 4 1-12 Sterling.

One third of the lands of Oust are held in feu of the Heirs or Dispones of the Earl of Breadalbane, for payment of a proportion of a *cumulo* feu-duty of 10l. Scots, amongst with many other extensive properties, which reduces the feu-duty of that part of Lot III. to a mere trifle. The remaining two thirds are held blench of the Crown; and the whole being valued in the cefs books at 168l. Scots of valued rent, the proportion of that part holding of the Crown is 112l. Scots, ascertained by a subdivision. The properties in this lot are of very great extent, both in arable land and pasture, and on permanent leases a great rise of rent may be expected.

## LOT IV.

A HOUSE and TENEMENT in the Town of THURSO, commonly called WEIR'S TENEMENT, with the Corff Houle and Yard thereto belonging; to be exposed at the upset price of L.50 : 2 : 11 Sterling.

The whole properties in the first three lots are pleasantly situated, and lie most conveniently for every species of improvement. The water of Forfe runs through the estate, and drives two corn mills belonging to it. It affords an abundant supply of water at all seasons, and a command of different falls, more than sufficient to accommodate any manufacture. The whole lie within a short distance of the thriving and populous town of Thurso, where there is a harbour, and where manufactures of different kinds are rapidly advancing.

The public burdens of the whole are exceedingly moderate, from the low valuations, which were fixed when the lands were in the state of nature, which in a great measure they still are.

For further particulars apply at the office of Mr Alexander Ross, depute clerk of Session; or to John Innes, writer to the signet, from whom printed rentals may be had.

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