

THIS Day, in Pursuance of the King's Pleasure, the following Flag Officers of His Majesty's Fleet were promoted, viz.

John Reynolds, Esq; Sir Hugh Palliser, Bart. Honorable John Byron, Right Honorable Augustus John Earl of Bristol,	}	<i>Rear Admirals of the White,—To be Rear Admirals of the Red.</i>
George Mackenzie, Esq; Mathew Barton, Esq; Sir Peter Parker, Knt.		
	}	<i>Rear Admirals of the Blue,—To be Rear Admirals of the White.</i>

And the following Captains were also appointed Flag-Officers of His Majesty's Fleet, viz.

Honorable Samuel Barrington, Marriott Arbuthnot, Esq; Robert Roddam, Esq; George Darby, Esq; John Campbell, Esq; Christopher Hill, Esq; James Gambier, Esq; William Lloyd, Esq; Francis William Drake, Esq; Sir Edward Hughes, Knt. Hyde Parker, sen. Esq;	}	<i>To be Rear Admirals of the White.</i>
	}	<i>To be Rear Admirals of the Blue,</i>

St. James's, January 27.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Christopher Rigby, John Trenchard, Daniel Bull, George Blount, Charles Dering, and John Eames, Esqrs. together with George Heathcote, Esq; in the room of Thomas Wyndham, Esq; deceased, to be His Majesty's Commissioners of Taxes.

St. James's, January 27.

The following Address of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Council of the City of Edinburgh, has been presented to His Majesty: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of your faithful City of Edinburgh, having about Two Years ago humbly presented an Address to your Majesty, with Assurance of our Abhorrence of the unnatural and unjustifiable Revolt of America, of our earnest Desire to preserve your Majesty's Sovereignty entire over every Part of the British Dominions, and of our determined Resolution to support the just Rights of your Crown to the utmost Extent of our Power;

Being now alarmed with the Continuance of that unnatural Revolt, beg Leave to approach your Majesty's Throne with repeated Assurances of the Dispositions which we formerly expressed, and with our humble Request that your Majesty would be graciously pleased to allow us to levy for your Majesty's Service a Regiment of One Thousand Men, to be employed where your Majesty shall be pleased to command, and to be named, with your Majesty's Permission, The Edinburgh Volunteers.

The liberal Subscriptions of the Citizens of your antient Metropolis of Scotland enable us to make this small Offer of our Duty without any Expence to the Revenue, and the Spirit of Loyalty which prevails amongst us gives us every Reason to hope that the Levies, for which we presume to ask your Majesty's Permission, will be speedily compleated.

That your Majesty's Reign may be long and prosperous is the constant and ardent Wish of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects,

The Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of your City of Edinburgh.

(Signed) *John Dalrymple, Provost.*

War-Office, January 27, 1778.

1st Troop of Horse Guards, Brigadier and Lieutenant Henry Read is appointed to be Exempt and Captain, vice John Carter.

Ditto, Sub-Brigadier and Cornet Stephen Poyntz to be Brigadier and Lieutenant, vice Henry Read.

Ditto, Cornet George Mercer, late of the 4th, Dragoons, to be Sub-Brigadier and Cornet, vice Stephen Poyntz.

2d Troop of Horse Guards, Brigadier and Lieutenant William John Arabin to be Exempt and Captain, vice Ulysses Brown.

Ditto, Sub-Brigadier and Cornet Thomas Alston to be Brigadier and Lieutenant, vice John Arabin.

Ditto, Richard William Peirse, Gent. to be Sub-Brigadier and Cornet, vice Thomas Alston.

2d Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Cornet Andrew Regnier to be Lieutenant, vice Charles Combers.

2d Regiment of Dragoons, Ensign Francis North, from 58th, Foot, to be Cornet, vice Chaloner Hawke.

7th Regiment of Dragoons, Cornet Barrington Price to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Barker.

Ditto, Henry Richmond Gale, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Barrington Price.

Ditto, Michael Barne, Gent. to be Cornet, vice William Osborn.

1st Regiment of Foot Guards, Captain Richard Fitzpatrick to be Captain of a Company, vice Temple West.

Ditto, Ensign Francis Dundas to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Fitzpatrick.

3d Regiment of Foot Guards, Ensign Florentius Boscawen to be Lieutenant, vice Sir Francis Carr Clerke.

Ditto, — Sempil, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Florentius Boscawen.

Ditto, Captain William Anne Douglas to be Adjutant, vice Sir Francis Carr Clerke.

Ditto, Captain Charles Viscount Petersham, from 29th, Foot, to be Captain of a Company, vice Thomas Byron.

Royals, 1st Battalion, Ensign William Clerk to be Lieutenant, vice David Anstruther.

Ditto, Edward Pemberton, Gent. to be Ensign, vice William Clerk.

12th Regiment of Foot, Ensign James Lowe to be Lieutenant, vice Joshua Swettenham.

Ditto, Adjutant Thomas Hitchbone to be Ensign, vice James Lowe.

13th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Robert Smith to be Captain, vice George Basside.