

only a Letter of Marque, mounting 26 Twelve Pounders on her Main-Deck, and 2 Six Pounders on her Quarter-Deck, with 173 Men: She had 20 Men killed and 24 wounded. I think it a Justice due to the Captain, to say, that he defended his Ship with great Bravery. The Pearl had 6 Men killed and 10 wounded; among the former was First Lieutenant Foulke of Marines, and the latter Mr. Dunbar, Master.

The very cool and determined Behaviour of the Officers and Ship's Company merits my most sincere Acknowledgements.

St. James's, November 13.

The King has been pleased to confer the Honour of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath upon Thomas Wroughton, Esq; His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Sweden.

St. James's, November 13.

Ceremonial of the Knighthood and Investiture of Sir Richard Pierfon, Knight of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of His Majesty's Forces.

THE Dean, the Knights, and the Officers, of the Order, attended in the Privy-Chamber, in their Mantles, Collars, &c. and proceeded from thence, after the Levée, into the Sovereign's Presence, in the following Order, making the usual Reverences.

Gentleman Usher of the Order, in his Mantle, Chain, and Badge, bearing the Scarlet Rod.

Deputy to Bath King of Arms, in the Mantle, Chain, and Badge of Bath, bearing the Ribbon and Badge of the Order on a Crimson Velvet Cushion.

Knights Companions.

Sir Robert Gunning. *Bart.*

Sir Ralph Payne.

The Right Honourable Sir John Irwine.

Sir Charles Frederick.

Right Honourable Lord Amherst.

The Bishop of Rochester, Dean of the Order, in his Mantle, Chain, and Badge.

Then, by the Sovereign's Command, Lieutenant-General Pierfon was introduced into the Presence by Sir Robert Gunning and Sir Ralph Payne, the two Junior Knights present, preceded by the Gentleman Usher of the Order, with Reverences as before.

The Sword of State was delivered to the Sovereign by Sir Charles Frederick, the Second Knight in Seniority; and, Lieutenant-General Pierfon kneeling, was knighted therewith; then Lord Amherst, the Senior Knight, presented the Ribbon and Badge to the Sovereign; His Majesty put them over the new Knight's Right Shoulder, who, being thus invested, and having kissed His Majesty's Hand, the Procession returned to the Privy Chamber in the above Order, Sir Richard Pierfon the new Knight preceding.

The Ceremony was performed in His Majesty's Closet, several Great Officers of the Court being present.

St. James's, November 14.

The King was this Day pleased to confer the Honour of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath upon Sir George Brydges Rodney, Bart. Admiral of the White Squadron of His Majesty's Fleet, and Commander in Chief of all His Majesty's Ships and Vessels employed at Barbadoes and the Leeward Islands.

St. James's, November 14.

The King has been pleased to grant unto the Honourable William Howard, second Son of the Right Honourable Ralph Lord Baron Clonmore of the Kingdom of Ireland, (pursuant to the Will of his Grandfather, William Forward, Esq; late of Castle Forward in the County of Donnegal in the said Kingdom, deceased,) His Royal Licence and Authority to take the Surname and bear the Arms of Forward; such Arms being first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Heralds Office; and also to order, that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in His College of Arms.

THE Names of those who were nominated for Sheriffs by the Lords of the Council at the Exchequer, on the 13th of November, in the Twenty-first Year of the Reign of King George the Third, and in the Year of our Lord 1780.

Berkshire, Edward Loveden Loveden, of Bucot, Esq;
Thomas Watts, of Beaumont Lodge, Esq;
The Honourable Richard Wenman, of Oakley.

Bedfordshire, George Edwards, of Henlow, Esq;
John Harvey, of Northill, Esq;
Francis Cook, of Eversholt, Esq;

Bucks, John Bullock, of Colnbrook, Esq;
Jonathan Lovett, of Soulbury, Esq;
Joseph Jacques, of Tickford Park, Esq;

Cumberland, John Christian, of Unerig, Esq;
Thomas Pattinson, of Melberby, Esq;
Thomas Storey, of Mirehouse, Esq;

Cheshire, William Davenport, of Bramhall, Esq;
Sir Peter Warburton, of Warburton, Bart.
Davis Davenport, of Capesthorn, Esq;

Camb' & Hunt' John Johnson, of Leverington, Esq;
William Coe, of Elme, Esq;
Kilburn Jellings, of Mepall, Esq;
Sir John St Aubin, of Clowance, Bart.
Richard Coffin, of Hexworthy, Esq;

Cornwall, John Coryton, of Crocadon, Esq;
John Burridge Cholwick, of Farthingdon, Esq;
Sir John William Poole, of Shute, Bart.
Montagu Edmund Parker, of Whiteway, Esq;
William Churchill, of Henbury, Esq;

Devonshire, John Pinney, of Blackdown, Esq;
Lewis Dymock Grosvenor Tre-gonnell, of Dorchester, Esq;
Eusebius Horton, of Catton, Esq;
Richard Loe, of Lockoe, Esq;
Samuel Frith, of Bank Hall, Esq;
Richard Wyatt, of Hornchurch, Esq;

Dorsetshire, James Harris, of Great Baddow, Esq;
William Dalby, of Walthamstow, Esq;

Derbyshire,

Essex,