

Realms that hath ever appeared on any Occasion, when your Majesty was left alone, without the Aid of a single Ally, to carry on a desperate, bloody, and expensive War against them; but we rejoice in the Prospect of that War being speedily terminated by a safe, honourable, and lasting Peace, which we hope the Spirit and Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils will effectuate.

That your Majesty may long reign in the Hearts of a free and united People; that your Royal Race may sway the Sceptre (protected by the Laws) to the latest Posterity; and that you may have every Comfort and Satisfaction in your illustrious Family, is the sincere and fervent Wish of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects,
The Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and
Commissioners of Supply of the Stewartry of
Kirkcudbright.

Signed in our Presence, and in our Name, by
Ja. Murray, Preses.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, May 14, 1782.

NOTICE is hereby given, That Their Majesties will not go to Chapel at St. James's on Sunday next the 19th Instant, nor will there be any Drawing-Room there on Sundays 'till further Orders.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, April 24, 1782.

WHEREAS it is supposed that several Persons, who have heretofore been appointed Gentlemen of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Chamber in Ordinary, may, since the last Return in June, 1777, be dead or removed from their Places of Residence; That it may appear to the Lord Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household, who of them are remaining alive, his Grace is pleased to direct, that all such do, on or before the 31st Day of July, 1782, transmit to Charles Herbert, Esq; Secretary, at the Lord Chamberlain's-Office, St. James's, an Account of their present Places of Residence.

Admiralty-Office, May 14, 1782.

WHEREAS many Seamen have, from Time to Time, inconsiderately deserted His Majesty's Service, by leaving the Ships they belonged to, as they could find Opportunity for so doing, or, having been put on Shore Sick from His Majesty's Ships, either into Hospitals or Sick Quarters, have made so ill a Return to the Care taken for their Healths as to desert from His Majesty's Service, when so far recovered as to be able to withdraw themselves from the said Hospitals or Sick Quarters; for which Crimes they have incurred the Loss of their Wages, and are punishable with Death by a Court Martial: But my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty being willing to impute such Desertion to a Rashness which most of them soon repent of, and believing that they would return to their Ships, were it not from Apprehensions of Punishment; in order therefore to remove such Apprehensions, and encourage them to return to their Duty, their Lordships do hereby declare, That if any Persons who have deserted as aforesaid shall, on or before the Thirtieth Day of June next, return to the Ships to which they did belong, or, in case those Ships are gone Abroad, enter themselves on Board some other of His Majesty's Ships, they shall not be punished in any Manner whatsoever, on Account of the Crimes they have committed in withdrawing themselves from His Majesty's Service as aforesaid, *excepting such as have been guilty of Mutiny, or any other notorious Crimes:* And, as a further Encouragement, their Lordships are pleased

to declare, that such as shall so return shall have their R^s taken off, and be paid their Wages for the Ships from which they respectively deserted; but their Lordships do also think fit to declare, that all Persons under the above-mentioned Circumstances, who do not make a proper Use of the Indulgence hereby offered them, will be strictly sought after, and, (in case they are apprehended) brought to a Court Martial, and treated as the Law directs.

Ph. Stephens.

Admiralty-Office, May 14, 1782.

WHEREAS there are at this Time several Deserters from the different Divisions of His Majesty's Marine Forces, who might be induced to return to their Duty by an Offer of Pardon, and that such Instance of Clemency would have due Influence on their future Behaviour; My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, in order to encourage them to return to their Duty, and to remove their Apprehensions of the Punishment due to their Crime, do hereby give Notice, that such of the said Deserters, as shall surrender themselves at any of the aforesaid Divisions at Portsmouth, Plymouth, or Chatham, or to any Recruiting Party of the Marines in Great Britain or Ireland, on or before the 30th Day of June next, will receive His Majesty's Free Pardon.

And whereas several of the said Deserters have been apprehended and are now in Goal or Military Custody, their Lordships do hereby further give Notice, that His Majesty's Free Pardon will be extended to them also, of which they are to have the Benefit upon their Arrival at any of the Marine Head-Quarters.

And any Marine who may desert after this Public Notice of His Majesty's most gracious Intentions, will not be included in the above Pardon, but be proceeded against with the utmost Severity.

Ph. Stephens.

War-Office, May 4, 1782.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the King, That there are at this Time many DESERTERS from the Regular Corps in His Majesty's Land Service, who might be induced to return to their Duty by an Offer of His Majesty's Gracious PARDON; and that such an Instance of His Royal Clemency would have a due Influence on their future Behaviour: His Majesty is pleased to grant His Free PARDON to all DESERTERS from His Regular Land Forces, who shall surrender themselves before the 17th Day of June next, either to the Regiments to which they belong, or to some other Regular Corps in His Majesty's Land Service, or to any Additional Company or Recruiting Party thereof in Great-Britain or Ireland.

Such Deserters, if able-bodied Men and fit for Service, shall be attested in the Corps to which they surrender; and not be liable to be claimed by any other Corps to which they may formerly have belonged.

And whereas many of the said Deserters have enlisted in other Corps, and are now serving therein; His Majesty is graciously pleased to extend to such Deserters the Benefit of this Pardon, and to direct that they shall continue to serve in the Corps wherein they now are, not being Militia; and they shall not be liable to be claimed by that in which they formerly served.

And whereas several of the said Deserters have been apprehended, and are now in Goal, or in Regimental Custody; His Majesty is likewise pleased to grant them His Free Pardon, of which they