

St. James's, May 27.

The King has been pleased to appoint the Earl of Essex to be one of the Lords of His Majesty's Bed-chamber.

The King has been pleased to grant the Dignity of a Baronet of the Kingdom of Great Britain to Robert Palke, of Haldon House in the County of Devon, Esq; and the Heirs Male of his Body lawfully begotten.

The King has been pleased to grant to William Bishop, of Bower Hall in the County of Essex, Esq; and his Issue (pursuant to the Will of Sarah Pyke, late of Bower Hall, Widow, deceased, Daughter of Sir John Bendish, Bart. and Dame Martha his Wife) His Royal Licence and Authority to take and use the Surname of Bendish.

Also to grant to John Horne, of the Inner Temple, London, Esq; and his Issue (pursuant to the Desire of William Tooke, of Thomps in the County of Norfolk, Esq;) His Royal Licence and Authority to take upon him and them the Surname of Tooke.

And also to order, that these His Majesty's several Concessions and Declarations be registered in his College of Arms.

The King has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Louth, Henry Flood, and Hercules Langford Rowley, Esquires, to be of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council in the Kingdom of Ireland.

The King has been pleased to order Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the Kingdom of Ireland, for granting to the Right Honourable Richard Earl of Shannon, the Right Honourable Robert Spencer, Esq; commonly called Lord Robert Spencer, and the Right Honourable Sir George Yonge, Bart. the Office of Vice-Treasurer of the Kingdom of Ireland.

Admiralty Office, May 27.

CAPTAIN Courtney, of His Majesty's Ship the Eurydice, arrived this Morning with Dispatches from Admiral Sir George Brydges Rodney, Bart. K. B. and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships at the Leeward Islands; and also with a Letter from Sir James Wallace, Captain of His Majesty's Ship the Warrior, (whom he fell in with in His Passage) to Mr. Stephens; of which the following are Copies:

Formidable, at Sea, April 20, 1782.

SIR,

SINCE my last Dispatches of the 14th Instant, sent by Lord Cranston, in His Majesty's Ship Andromache, I must desire you will be pleased to acquaint their Lordships, that the Fleet under my Command, in their Way to reconnoitre the Bays of Basse-terre, St. Christopher's, and St. Eustatius, and observe if the Enemy's Fleet had attempted to shelter themselves in those Bays, we were becalmed for Three Days under the Island of Guadaloupe, in which Time we were employed in repairing the shattered Condition of the Ships under my Command.

The Moment we had a Breeze, I dispatched Frigates to St. Christopher's and St. Eustatius. In the latter Road, instead of the vast Crowd of Ships that used to be anchored, there were only Two small Schooners. At St. Christopher's, none but Armed Ships. Being, by this, convinced, that the Enemy's defeated Fleet were gone to Leeward, I dispatched Rear-Admiral Sir Samuel Hood, (whose Division having been in the Rear on the Day of Battle, had received much less Damage than the Van or Center) to proceed, with all the sail they could make, to the West End of St. Domingo, in Hopes that he might pick up some of the stragling disabled Ships of the Enemy; and am now following myself, with the Remainder of the Fleet, to join him off Cape Tiberoon.

It is with great Satisfaction I acquaint their Lordships, that the Enemy's Battering Cannon, Travelling Carriages, and Train of Artillery, are in the Ships captured, which are not only a Loss to the Enemy, but may be of the greatest Service in the Island of Jamaica.

I enclose I send Duplicates of my Dispatches by the Andromache, and have the Honor to be, &c.

G. B. RODNEY.

Philip Stephens, Esq;

Warrior, at Sea, April 22, 1782.

SIR,

BEING pleased to inform their Lordships, That on the 18th Instant, at Two P. M. Sir Samuel Hood made Sail from the Fleet, with Ten Sail of the Line, a Frigate, and Fire-ship. On the 19th, at Six A. M. saw Five Sail in the Passage of Mona. At Half past Six A. M. the Admiral made a general Signal for Chace. At Two P. M. some of our Ships came up with Two French Line of Battle Ships, and a Frigate; after some Action both the Line of Battle Ships and Frigate struck. We continued our Chace after another Frigate, which escaped us in the Night, by which Means we separated. I am, &c.

J. A. WALLACE.

Philip Stephens, Esq;

Cosirta, April 30. On Friday last, at Half past Eight o'Clock in the Morning, the Queen of Naples was safely delivered of a Princess at this Palace; and both her Majesty and the young Princess are as well as can be expected.

War-Office, May 16, 1782.

26th Regiment of Foot, Major-General Sir William Erskine is appointed to be Colonel, vice Lord Adam Gordon.

30th Regiment of Foot, Colonel John Leland, of 1st Foot Guards, to be Colonel, vice Sir William Erskine.

To be COLONELS in the Army by Brevet,

LIEUTENANT-COLONELS

Joseph Goreham, Lieutenant-Governor of Placentia.

James Bruce, of the 70th Regiment of Foot.

Gustavus Gwydickens, of the 3d Regiment of Foot Guards.

John Mansell, of the 3d Regiment of Dragoon Guards.

George Morgan, of the 2d Regiment of Foot Guards.

Alexander Stewart, of the 3d Regiment of Foot.

James Crawford, of the 73d Regiment of Foot.

John Hill, of the 9th Regiment of Foot.

James Coates, of the 19th Regiment of Foot.

Ralph Dundas, of the 11th Regiment of Dragoons.

George Ethington, of the 60th Regiment of Foot.

Richard Whyte, of the 96th Regiment of Foot.

Alfred Clarke, of the 7th Regiment of Foot.

James Hugonin, of the 4th Regiment of Dragoons.

1st Regiment of Dragoons, Henry Maghull Merwin North to be Cornet, vice Thomas Mitchell.

2d Regiment of Dragoons, John Freeman, Gent. to be Cornet, vice David Cunningham.

6th Regiment of Dragoons, Cornet Francis Drouly to be Lieutenant, vice Edward Remington.

15th Regiment of Dragoons, Henry Ellison, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Samuel Wright.

19th Regiment of Dragoons, George Donisthorpe, Gent. to be Cornet, vice William Tooke Harwood.

1st Foot Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel William Colquhoun to be Captain of a Company, vice John Leland.

Ditto, Captain Andrew John Drummond to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice William Colquhoun.

1st Regiment of Foot, 2d Battalion, William Manson, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Andrew Hay.

4th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant William Dickson to be Captain of one of the Additional Companies, vice Alexander Brodie.

Ditto, Ensign William Dyott to be Lieutenant, vice William Dickson.

16th Regiment of Foot, Thomas Bunbury, Gent. to be Ensign vice George Spens.

17th Regiment of Foot, Robert Wilkinson, Gent. to be Ensign, vice John Jackson.

18th Regiment of Foot, John Hope, Gent. to be Ensign, vice William Percival.

6th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant William Bray to be Captain of a Company, vice John Lamb.

Ditto, Ensign William Berry to be Lieutenant, vice William Bray.

24th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Waterhouse Crymble Lindsay to be Lieutenant, vice John Ferguson.

Ditto, John Willoughby, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Waterhouse Crymble Lindsay.