

bourhood; and on the 21st, 22d, and 23d, the general Manœuvres were performed on the Plains of Templehof, adjoining to this City. The 20th and 23d the King had a Levee at the Palace, where the principal Military Officers, the Foreign Ministers, and the Nobility were present; and on the 23d, immediately after the Review, he returned to Potsdam. His Majesty seemed to be in perfect Health, and expressed particular Satisfaction with the Manner in which the Troops performed their Evolutions. He made a considerable Promotion of Officers on this Occasion: Four Major-Generals were raised to the Rank of Lieutenant-Generals; Ten Colonels were appointed Major-Generals; and a proportionable Advancement took Place in the inferior Ranks.

War-Office, June 11, 1782.

WHEREAS there may be on Board His Majesty's Ships of War, many Deserters from the Land Service, who deserted before His Majesty's Proclamation of the 4th of last Month, and who have not had it in their Power to surrender to any regular Corps of Infantry, in order to take the Benefit of the Proclamation: It is His Majesty's Pleasure that all such Deserters, upon surrendering themselves to the Commanding Officers of the said Ships of War, and continuing to serve as Seamen, shall be entitled to His Majesty's most Gracious Pardon.

By His Majesty's Command,
THO. TOWNSEND.

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.

Pb. Stephens.

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 into 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.

Pb. Stephens.

Navy-Office, June 3, 1782.

THE Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having appointed Money for paying Half-Pay to Sea Officers, from the 1st Day of July, to the 31st of December, 1781, according to His Majesty's Establishment in that Behalf; These are to give Notice, that the said Payments will begin to be made at the Pay-Office of the Treasurer of the Navy in Broad-Street, on Tuesday the 11th and Wednesday the 12th Instant, at Ten of the Clock in the Morning, viz. To Captains and their Attorneys, and other Officers appearing themselves, on Tuesday; and to Attorneys of Lieutenants, Masters and Surgeons, on Wednesday, (after which the Lists will be recalled once a Month) that all Persons may then and there attend to receive what may become payable unto them, and not only bring with them the Affidavit required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any Publick Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid their Half-Pay; but also produce Certificates that they have subscribed to the Test, and taken the Oaths required by Act of Parliament to His present Majesty; and in Case any of the said Sea Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpose, that the said Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Persons they are employed by.

Office of Ordnance, May 31, 1782.

NOTICE is hereby given, That Proposals will be received and opened in the Presence of the Master-General and Board, at their Office in St. Mazarin's Street, Westminster, on Friday the 14th of June, from such Persons as are willing to supply this Office with Coals, viz.

- 300 Chaldrons of Windsor's or Simpson's Pontop, to be delivered, when wanted, in Woolwich Warren;
- 300 Chaldrons of Silvertop Pontop to be delivered in the Warren also; and
- 600 Chaldrons of Silvertop Pontop, to be delivered at the New Barracks on Woolwich Common:

Th: Whole to be delivered free of all Expences, and to be paid in Debentures according to the Course of Office.

John Boddington.