

loyal Subjects; and we presume to take our Share in the general Expressions of Joy which pervade the whole Nation.

We implore God to shed his richest Blessings on this auspicious Marriage; and we offer up our most ardent Prayers to Him, that this Union may be productive of the same Happiness to future Generations, with that which we enjoy in the fullest Manner under your Majesty's gracious Protection.

St. James's, April 17.

HIS Catholic Majesty having conferred on his Excellency the Marquis del Campo, his Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at this Court, the Grand Cross of the Order of Charles the Third of Spain, (he being already a Knight of that Order) and having requested that His Majesty would be pleased to invest his Excellency with the Ensigns thereof, the Marquis was, after the Levee, introduced to the King by the Right Honorable Lord Grenville, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, preceded by Don Carlos Martinez de Yrujo, Secretary of the Spanish Embassy, bearing, on a Crimson Velvet Cushion, the Ensigns of the said Order, accompanied by Don Manuel De Las Heras, Consul-General of Spain; and advancing into His Majesty's Presence, with the usual Reverences, his Excellency knelt down, and the King put the Ribband, with the Badge of the Order pendant thereto, over his Excellency's Right Shoulder, and delivered to him the Star. This being done, the Ambassador rose up, and His Majesty was graciously pleased to congratulate him on this distinguished Mark of his Sovereign's Approbation. His Excellency then returned his Thanks, in the most respectful Manner, to His Majesty; and, withdrawing from the Royal Closet, received the Compliments of the Great Officers and other Persons of Distinction present.

Whitehall, April 8.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Sir Harry Burrard, of Walhampton in the County of Southampton, Baronet, a Captain in the Royal Navy, and Representative in Parliament for the Borough of Lymington, and to Grace Elizabeth Neale, eldest Daughter and Coheir of Robert Neale, late of Shaw House, in the Parish of Melksham, in the County of Wilts, Esq; deceased, His Royal Licence and Authority, that, after the Solemnization of a Marriage about to take Place between them, he the said Sir Harry Burrard may take and use the Surname and bear the Arms of Neale, and that the said Grace Elizabeth Neale may continue to use and bear the Surname of Neale, notwithstanding such Marriage, and also use and bear the Arms of Neale alone, without being quartered with any Paternal Coat; and that the same may be borne and used in like Manner, by such of her Issue as shall respectively come into the actual Seisin or Possession of the Premises devised by the Will of her late Grandfather Robert Neale, of Shaw House, but formerly of Corsham, in the said County of Wilts, Esq; deceased; provided such Arms be first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Herald's Office: And also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Whitehall, April 13.

The King has been pleased to appoint the Reverend James Blinshall, Doctor of Divinity, to be one of His Majesty's Chaplains in Ordinary in Scotland.

Admiralty Office, April 18.

Extract of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Colpoys to Mr. Nepean, dated on Board His Majesty's Ship London, at Spithead, the 16th of April, 1795.

PLEASE to acquaint the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of my Arrival here with His Majesty's Ships under my Command:

That on the 29th of March Le Jean-Bart, a French Corvette, of 20 Guns and 120 Men, bound to Brest, was captured by His Majesty's Ships Cerberus and Santa Margareta; she had been charged with Dispatches from the French Minister in America:

That on the 30th of March the Robust recaptured the Caldicott Castle, of Chepstow, from Barcelona, bound to Guernsey; she was taken on the 18th of March, off Cape St. Vincent's, by Six French Ships of the Line, Two Frigates and a Corvette:

That on the 10th Instant we discovered and gave Chace to Three French Frigates, which soon shaped different Courses. I made the Signal for the Hannibal and Robust to follow the Two which pointed most to the Westward. The Astrea, Lord Henry Powlett, with his accustomed Promptitude and Attention, kept after the largest and seemingly best goer of the Three, with which he closed about Ten o'Clock at Night, and obliged her to surrender, after a well-fought Action of 58 Minutes, which does great Credit to his Lordship's good Conduct, as well as the Discipline of his Officers and Ship's Company. The Particulars I transmit in a Copy of his Lordship's Letter to me, which accompanies this.

P. S. The Robust joined me off the Isle of Wight. Captain Thornbrough reports that La Gentille, of 40 Guns, was taken on Saturday last by the Hannibal, but that La Fraternité escaped.

Copy of a Letter from Lord Henry Powlett, Captain of His Majesty's Ship Astrea, to Rear-Admiral Colpoys, dated at Sea, the 11th of April, 1795. Lat. 49 deg. 30 min. N. Long. 10 deg. 46 min. W.

S I R,

IN Obedience to your Signal from the London, Yesterday Morning, I gave Chace to the North-West, and at Ten o'Clock at Night came up with and engaged La Gloire, French National Frigate, mounting 26 Twelve-Pounders on the Main Deck, 10 Six-Pounders and 4 Thirty-six-Pounder Carronades on the Quarter-Deck, and 2 Six-Pounders on the Fore-castle; having on Board 275 Men. After a close Action of 58 Minutes the fruck.

It is very satisfactory to me to be able to say, that I had no Person killed, and only Eight Men wounded; Three of them, I am sorry to add, are in some Danger. I am also very sorry to say that the Slaughter on Board the Enemy has been very considerable; the Killed and Wounded, from the best Accounts I have been able to collect, amounting to Forty: Among the latter is her Captain, Citizen Beens, who received a Contusion on the Head.—He seems to be an able, humane, and intelligent Officer.

I have sent Mr. Talbot, my First Lieutenant, on Board La Gloire, which will I hope meet your Approbation. I must not omit to mention the just Sense I entertain of his Services and good Conduct upon this Occasion; and it gives me the greatest Pleasure to add, that the Conduct of the Officers and Ship's Company in general afforded me particular Satisfaction.

The Two Frigates, after which you dispatched His Majesty's Ships Hannibal and Robust, are exactly of the same Force with La Gloire. They had been Three Weeks out from Brest, and had made but One Capture, a small Spanish Brig.

I am, &c.

H. POWLETT.