Yesterday Morning dispatched the Phoenix hired Cutter in Quest of her, and to give Information to the Espeigle Brig, on that Station.

Thursday Morning, November 17.

The Wind blowing very hard all Day Yesterday from the Westward, prevented my sending this to the Post, and since that Time the Phoenix has returned to this Place, bringing in with her the Privateer Cutter she was sent after. The Privateer had been Four Days from Dunkirk, and had taken a light Collier Brig the Day before she was captured.

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant William Sharp, commanding His Majesty's hired Armed Cutter the Dower, to Evan Nepean, Esq, dated Swansea, November 16, 1796.

SIR,

AM to acquaint you, for the Information of their Lordships, that on the 12th Instant I captured, in His Majesty's hired Armed Cutter Dover, under my Command, Seven Leagues South of the Land's End, the Providence, Lugger Privateer, a new fast-sailing Vessel, carrying Four Three Pounders, pierced for Eight, with 29 Men; out Four Days from St. Maloes, and had not taken any Thing.

I am, Sir, &c. &c. &c.

WM. SHARP.

Admiralty-Office, November 18, 1796.

Copy of a Letter from Commodore Sir J. B. Warren to Vice-Admiral Colpoys, dated on Board His Majesty's Ship La Pomone, at Sea, 2d Instant.

SIR,

I Beg Leave to inform you, that this Morning, Uthant bearing N. E. by E. Eight Leagues, I discovered His Majesty's Ship Thake in Chace of a strange Sail; and the Artois being pretty well to Windward, I made her Signal to join the Pursuit also, and have the Satisfaction to say, that Sir Edmund Nagle brought her to at Eleven A. M. Ushant then bearing N. E. by E. Eleven Leagues. She proves to be Le Franklin, mounting Twelve Six Pounders, and a Complement of 100 Men.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

JOHN WARREN.

Vice-Admiral Colpoys, &c. &c. &c.

St. James's, November 17.

This Day the Baron de Rieger, Envoy Extraordinary from His Royal Highness the Duke of Wirtemberg, had a Private Audience of Her Majesty:

To which he was introduced by William Price, Efq; Vice Chamberlain to Her Majeffy, and conducted by Stephen Cottrell, Efq; Affiftant Master of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, September 27.

The King has been pleafed to grant unto Mark Mafterman, late Mark Sykes, of Settrington in the East Riding of the County of York, Esq. eldest Son and Heir of Sir Christpher Sykes, of Stedmere, in the said County, Bart. His Royal Licence and Authority that he and his Issue may assume and take the Surname of Sykes, in Addition to that of Master.

man, and also bear the Arms of Sykes and Maiterman quarterly, out of Respect to the Memory of Henry Maiterman, late of Settrington aforesaid; Est; deceased: And also to order that His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in His College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none Estfect:

War-Office, November 20, 1796.
18th Regiment of Light Dragoons, John Phillips,
Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, wife Parker,
who retires.

21st Ditto, Cornet Barnard Mangin, from the 15th Light Dragoons, to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Gore, removed to the 27th Dragoons.

Richard Cross, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Potter, who retires,

2d Regiment of Foot, Enfign Isaac Carnock, from the 94th Foot, to be Enfign, vice Roy, who retires on the Half-Pay of the 94th Foot.

5th Ditto, Lieutenant George Parkin, from the Half-Pay of the 90th Foot, to be Lieutenant,

8th Ditto, Ensign Samuel Speare to be Lieutenant, without Purchase, vice Leith, who retires.

N. Phillips. Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase.

N. Phillips, Gent. to be Enfign, without Purchale, vice Speare.

9th Ditto, Major Henry De Berniere, from the 10th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, without Purchase, vice Maitland, removed to the 27th Foot.

Enfign Simon Blakeney, from the Londonderry Regiment, to be Enfign, vice Hely, who retires on the Half-Pay of the Londonderry Regiment.

Enfign Thomas Ferrars, from the Warwickshire Militia, to be Enfign, by Purchase, vice Wilson, who retires.

10th Ditto, Brevet Major William Potts, from the 68th Foot, to be Major, vice De Berniere, promoted in the 9th Foot.

15th Ditto, Thomas Bonner, Gent. to be Engin, without Purchase, vice Chetwood, promoted in the 115th Foot.

John Ward, Gent. to be Enfign, without Purchase, vice Ross, promoted in the 83d Foot.

23d Ditto, Fierfon, Gent. to be Second Lieutenant, vice Hughes, deceased.

24th Ditto, Robert Huish, Gent. to be Ensign, by Purchase, vice Andrews, promoted.

27th Ditto, Lieutenant-Colonel Frederick Maitland, from the oth Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Gillman, deceased.

Major William Horne, from the 48th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Drummond, deceased.

29th Ditto, Captain Lieutenant Thomas Fitzgerald, from the Half-Pay of the 90th Foot; to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Wyatt, promoted.

41/1 Ditto, Enfign Richard Cooke to be Lieutenant, without Purchase, vice Otway, promoted.

Thomas Smart, Gent: to be Enfign, without Purchafe, vice Cooke.

48th Ditto, Captain W. Sinclair Wemyls to be Major without Purchase, vice Horne, promoted in the 27th Foot.

Lieutenant Augustus Meade, from the 13th Foot, to be Lieutenant.

50th Ditto, S. Willoughby, Gent. to be Enfigh, by Purchase, vice Turner, promoted in the Soth Foot.

61st Ditto, John Coghlan, Gent. to be Entlein, by Purchase, vice Farrer, promoted.