

Harbour, and, when I have landed the Prisoners; I shall immediately proceed to my Station. She had nothing but Small Arms on Board.

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

(Signed) JOHN TALBOT.

P. S. I since find she has Four Four-Pounders and Two Swivels in her Hold.

Whitehall, September 29, 1796.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Mark Masterman, (late Mark Sykes) of Settrington in the East Riding of the County of York, Esq; Son and Heir of Sir Christopher Sykes, Bart. his Royal Licence and Authority that he and his Issue may assume and take the Surnames of Masterman Sykes, and bear the Arms of Sykes and Masterman quarterly, out of Respect to the Memory of Henry Masterman, late of Settrington aforesaid, Esquire: And also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Whitehall, December 20, 1796.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Thomas Tyrwhitt, of Shardeloes in the County of Buckingham, Esq; his Royal Licence and Authority that he and his Issue may assume and take the Surname and bear the Arms of Drake, in Addition to his present Surname and Arms of Tyrwhitt: And also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Whitehall, December 20, 1796.

The King has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General Robert Prescott to be Captain-General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of Upper Canada and Lower Canada, of the Province of Nova Scotia, including the Islands of St. John and Cape Breton, and of the Province of New Brunswick, in America, in the room of General Lord Dorchester.

The King has also been pleased to appoint the said Lieutenant-General Robert Prescott, to be General and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the abovementioned Provinces and Islands, and within the Island of Newfoundland, in the room of the said General Lord Dorchester.

Whitehall, November 1, 1796.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that on the Night between Wednesday the 5th and Thursday the 6th of October last, a Quantity of Gunpowder was placed within the Round-House belonging to the Parish of Castle Cary in the County of Somerset, and there set Fire to by some evil-minded Person or Persons unknown, by which the Roof of the said Building was nearly thrown down, and the Walls very much cracked and shaken.

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the Felony above mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious pardon to any one of them, (except the Person or Persons who actually placed the Gunpowder within the said

Building, or set Fire thereto) who shall discover his, her or their Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

PORTLAND.

And, as a further Encouragement, the Gentlemen whose Names are hereunto subscribed, do hereby offer a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted) to be paid, upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders, by Mess. Messiter, Wincanton, Somersset.

Francis Woodforde.

John Burge.

John Tidcombe.

Sam. Burge.

Jos. Francis.

John Francis.

Rob. White.

John Woodforde.

Geo. Pew.

Edw. Burge.

Navy-Office, November 15, 1796.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Friday the 6th of January next, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be willing to supply His Majesty's Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Portsmouth and Plymouth, with Plumbers Wares on a standing Contract to commence immediately.

No Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock, nor any noticed, unless the Party, or an Agent for him, attends.

Navy-Office, December 10, 1796.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Tuesday the 3d of January next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, Commissioner Fanshawe will put up to Sale, at his Office in His Majesty's Dock-Yard at Plymouth, Several Lots of old Stores lying in the said Yard, consisting of old Canvas, Hammocks, Junk, Rope, Bolt-ropes, Rounding and Lashing in Paper Stuff, Shaking Rhyings, Hemp Rubbish, White Okum, Toppings, Rigs and Petersburg Bands, wet damaged Hemp and Bear Scoops; where any Person may have the Liberty of viewing them during the common Working Hours of the Yard until the Day of Sale.

Inventories and Conditions of Sale may be had here and at the Commissioner's Office.

Navy-Office, November 12, 1796.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 21st of this Month, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, Commissioner Sir Charles Saxton, Bart. will sell, at the Pay-Office in His Majesty's Yard at Portsmouth, the Hull, Masts, Yards and Sails of the Heart of Oak Fire Vessel, lying at that Port; where any Person may have the Liberty of viewing her during the common working Hours of the Yard till the Day of Sale.