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St. James's, November 25, 1797.

THE following Address has been presented to the King; which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the Borough of Lancaster, in Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign;

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the Borough of Lancaster, humbly beg Leave to offer our sincere Congratulations to your Majesty on the very important Victory obtained by your Majesty's Fleet, under the Command of Admiral Duncan, over that of the Dutch.

Whilst so splendid, glorious and brilliant a Victory elates our Feelings to an inexpressible Degree; and whilst we are overpowered with the Brilliancy of the Bravery of the British Seamen, every Heart must experience the invaluable Advantages which this Country must derive from the Success.

Your Majesty's faithful Subjects, deeply impressed with the utmost Gratitude to the Almighty Disposer of all Events, deem it their Duty to express their unfeigned Praises for the late signal Instance of his Mercy by this most distinguished Victory, adding thereby not only Security but Lustre to your Majesty's Crown and Government, and which we trust will contribute to your Majesty's most gracious Endeavours to the Attainment of a speedy, honorable and secure Peace.

Given under the Seal of the Borough of Lancaster, this 6th Day of November, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven.

[Presented by Mr. Dent and Mr. Pen, Representatives in Parliament for the said Borough, and Mr. Chamber, the Recorder.]

Admiralty-Office; November 25, 1797.

Extract of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Hyde Parker, Knt. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Jamaica, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Queen, Cape Nicola Mole, October 8, 1797.

HIS Majesty's Sloop Albacore arrived here last Night with a Privateer Schooner of 3 Guns, called the Nantaise, Copper-bottomed.

I have the Honor to transmit herewith a Return of the Number of Armed Vessels taken and destroyed since my last.

One small Barge of 1 Gun, captured by His Majesty's Ship Thames.

One Schooner Privateer of 2 Guns, 14 Musquets and 30 Men; 3 other small Boats sent in, and 10 destroyed, by the Drake.

One Schooner Privateer of 1 Gun and 20 Men, captured and brought in by the Aquilon.

Two Armed Barges, captured and brought in by the Rattler.

La Trompeuse French Schooner Privateer of 12 Guns and 78 Men, sunk by His Majesty's Brig Pelican.

A Spanish Pacquet of 6 Guns, with Troops on Board, captured by the Diligence, in Company with the Renommée and Hermione.

A Copper-Bottomed Schooner Privateer, of 3 Guns and 56 Men, captured and brought in by the Albacore.

One Row-Boat Privateer, armed with Swivels and Musquetry, captured by the Albacore.

Admiralty-Office, November 25, 1797.

Extract of another Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Hyde Parker, Knt. to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 6th of October, 1797.

I BEG you will be pleased to inform their Lordships, that, Captain Gascoyne being ill of a Fever, I put Lieutenant White, of the Queen, into