

among the latter was the gallant Captain, who, with Two others, died of their Wounds the next Day.

On Thursday Evening, the Eddistone bearing N. E. Twelve Leagues, I captured a little Privateer from Rosco, called the Emprunt Fosse; had only 2 small Carriage Guns, 6 Swivels, and 25 Men on Board; she had been out but One Day, and had taken nothing.

Our Main Mast and Fore Mast being wounded, and both of them fished, and much of the Standing Rigging so injured that it is necessary to replace it, I thought it would be expediting the Service to steer directly for this Port, instead of Falmouth; and I hope my having done so will meet their Lordships Approbation.

Admiralty-Office, January 16, 1798.

*Copy of a Letter from the Honorable Captain Stopford, of His Majesty's Ship Phaeton, to the Right Honorable Admiral Lord Bridport, dated at Sea, the 31st of December, 1797.*

My Lord,

I Have the Honor to inform your Lordship, that, on the 29th Instant, His Majesty's Ship under my Command captured a French Brig Privateer, of 14 Six-Pounders, called L'Hazard, and also a Spanish Merchant Vessel, from Nantes, bound to St. Sebastian, laden with sundry Articles of Merchandize.

The former (by whom I send this Letter) failed from La Rochelle Twenty-four Hours before her Capture; and was proceeding on a Cruise to the Southward; the latter being small, and of little Value, I destroyed.

The Anfon parted Company the same Night, in Chace of a Ship that had the Appearance of a Corvette, and I have not seen her since.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

ROB. STOPPORD.

Admiralty-Office, January 16, 1798.

*Extract of another Letter from the Honorable Captain Stopford, of His Majesty's Ship Phaeton, to the Right Honorable Admiral Lord Bridport, dated at Sea, the 3d of January, 1798.*

I Have the Honor to inform your Lordship, that His Majesty's Ship under my Command this Day recaptured an English Merchant Ship, called the Arthur Howe, belonging to Dartmouth. She was on her Passage from St. Ube's, bound to Waterford, and was captured on the 31st Ult. by Two French Privateers.

Whitehall, January 16, 1798.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Samuel Beilby, of the City of Lincoln, Doctor of Divinity, (Great-Great-Grandson of Michael Beilby, of Kingston upon Hull, Merchant, whose Wife Elizabeth was Nicce of Sir Thomas Herbert, of Tinterne in the County of Monmouth, Baronet) His Royal Licence and Authority, that he, and his Issue, may, out of Respect to the said Family of Herbert, take and use the Surname of Herbert: And to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, January 9, 1798.

SUCH Ladies as desire to dance Minuets at the Ball which is to be at St. James's on Thursday the 18th Instant, are requested to send their Names and Rank, in Writing, to this Office, on or before Tuesday the 16th, and to send for their Tickets the next Day (Wednesday), between the Hours of Eleven in the Morning and Three in the Afternoon.

And to prevent the Inconveniencies which have arisen from the Space before their Majesties, which is allotted for Minuet-Dancing, being exceedingly crowded, it is requested that those Ladies only who mean to dance will send for Dancers Tickets, and sit in those Places, as the Seats have been found too few to accommodate the Dancers.

War Office, January 16, 1798.

MEMORANDUM.

The Appointment of Lieutenant H. Austen to be Captain, by Purchase, in the 60th Regiment of Foot, vice Frazer, who retires, as stated in the Gazette of the 26th Ultimo, has not taken Place.

*Commission in the Staffordshire Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

Thomas Mottershaw, Esq; to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated December 23, 1797.

*Commission in the Northumberland Regiment of Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

George Sinklar, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated November 13, 1797.

Luke Crohan, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated November 16, 1797.

*Commissions in the Norfolk Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

*Eastern Regiment.* Robert Longe, Gent. to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice Captain William Tapp, deceased. Dated January 9, 1798.

John Midgley, Gent. to be Lieutenant, vice Lieutenant Robert Longe. Dated January 10, 1798.

*Commissions in the Devonshire Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

*North Regiment.* Peter Ilbert, Esq; to be Captain, Dated November 26, 1797.

Thomas Carey, Esq; to be Captain in a Volunteer Company. Dated as above.

Samuel Cooke, Esq; to be Lieutenant in a Volunteer Company. Dated December 1, 1797.

John Williams Ellicombe, Esq; to be Ensign. Dated January 1, 1798.

*South Regiment.* James Irwin, to be Lieutenant in a Volunteer Company. Dated December 12, 1797.

William Elford, Esq; to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated January 1, 1798.

Lawrence Palk, Esq; to be Major. Dated as above.

Henry Mervin Bayley, Esq; to be Captain. Dated as above.

Thomas Bewes, Esq; to be Captain. Dated as above.

Henry Young Kent, Esq; to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

*Commission in the Norfolk Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

*Western Regiment.* Reuben Berrett, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated December 30, 1797.