

and Barbarity. We participate in your Excellency's Concern, that the Diligence and Activity of the Magistrates, though assisted by the Troops which have been ordered into that Part of the Kingdom, have not yet been able entirely to suppress those Disturbances. We agree with the Opinion expressed by your Excellency, that unremitting Exertions continue to be necessary, when all Means are employed to excite the People to Rebellion and Revolt, when a systematic Plan of Assassination is adopted and encouraged, and when the most audacious Attempts are made to impede and prevent the Administration of Justice; and we beg Leave to assure your Excellency, of our zealous Concurrence in such just and necessary Measures as may be best calculated to repress this daring Spirit of Disobedience, and enforce a due Submission to the Laws.

We humbly thank your Excellency for the Regard which your Excellency has evinced for the Interest of this Country, in recommending to our Consideration its Commerce, its Agriculture, and its Manufactures, and especially that of the Linen; we shall not fail to direct our Attention to these great Objects of National Prosperity; and we shall not omit to extend that Protection to the Charter Schools, and the other Charitable Institutions, under which they have so long flourished.

We acknowledge, with the liveliest Sentiments of Duty and Gratitude, the affecting Declaration of our most gracious Sovereign, that his firm Resolution is taken in the present arduous Contest, he will not be wanting to his People, but with them will stand or fall in the Defence of their Religion, and in the Preservation of the Independence, Laws and Liberties of his Kingdom. These animating Words kindle in us Emotions of the most enthusiastic Veneration, Loyalty and Attachment to the sacred Person of His Majesty. Our Decision is also made; we will not fail in Fidelity and Allegiance to our King; and it is our fixed and inviolable Determination, with our Lives and Properties, to co-operate with your Excellency, in maintaining the Honour of His Majesty's Crown, and in asserting and defending the Religion, Rights, Liberties and Independence of this Kingdom.

G. F. Hill, Cler. Dom. Com.

His Excellency's Answer.

I Return you my most sincere and grateful Thanks for the very flattering Terms in which you are pleased to express your Approbation of my Conduct. If by a faithful Discharge of that Duty I have been commanded to undertake, I have had the good Fortune to merit the Confidence of the late House of Commons, I hope, by the Continuance of those Endeavours, to deserve your future good Opinion. No Period ever more urgently demanded the full Exercise of your Wisdom, your Temper, and your Firmness, than the one in which you are called upon to act.

I shall not fail to make the most faithful Representations of your Services to His Majesty, who has the firmest Reliance on your Energy and Zeal; and it will be my highest Ambition to co-operate with the Parliament of Ireland in every Measure which can restore the Tranquillity, promote the Prosperity, and preserve the Constitution of this Kingdom.

Dublin Castle, January 18, 1798.

Letters Patent have been passed under the Great Seal of Ireland, constituting and appointing Sir George Fitzgerald Hill, Bart. Clerk of the Parliament in the Lower House within this Kingdom.

Dublin Castle, January 19, 1798.

Letters Patent have been passed under the Great Seal of Ireland for the Promotion of the Reverend Joseph Stock, Doctor in Divinity, to the united Bishopricks of Killala and Achonry.

War-Office, Dublin Castle, January 19, 1798.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Colonel Charles Handfield to be Commissary General of Stores, Provisions and Forage to the Forces in this Kingdom. Commission dated January 2, 1798.

Admiralty-Office, January 27, 1798.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Graham Moore, Commander of His Majesty's Ship *Melampus*, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated at Sea, the 16th Instant.

S I R,

I Have to acquaint you, for the Information of their Lordships, that this Day, at Noon, His Majesty's Ships *Melampus* and *Seahorse* captured *La Belliqueux*, a French Corvette, now fitted as a Privateer, Nine Days from St. Maloes, pierced for 20 Guns, mounting 14 Eight-Pounders and 4 Carronades, and 120 Men. On the 11th Instant she captured His Majesty's Packet *Prince Ernest*, from Tortola; but I am happy to add, that the Captain and all but Four of the Packet's Crew are retaken in *La Belliqueux*.

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

GRAHAM MOORE.

Admiralty-Office, January 27, 1798.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Peyton, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Downs, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated on board the *Overyffel*, the 23d Instant.

S I R,

I Herewith enclose, for their Lordships Information, a Letter I have just received from Captain Lloyd, of His Majesty's Sloop *Raccoon*, giving an Account of his having captured *La Pensée* French Schooner Privateer, that left Dieppe on Sunday last, but had not taken any Thing.

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

JOS. PEYTON.

*Raccoon*, Dover Roads, January 23, 1798.

S I R,

I Beg Leave to acquaint you, that Yesterday, at Eight A. M. Beachy Head bearing N. E. by E. distant about Three or Four Leagues, I fell in with and captured *La Pensée* French Schooner Privateer, mounting 2 Four-Pounders and 9 Swivels, and carrying 32 Men, sailed on Sunday last from Dieppe, and had not taken any Thing.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

ROB. LLOYD.

Joseph Peyton, Esq; Admiral of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.

Commissions in the Royal Cornwall Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

Thomas Bamfylde Tyndale, Esq; to be Lieutenant, with the Rank of Captain by Brevet. Dated June 1, 1797.

William Bennet, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated June 2, 1797.

Thomas Hamilton, Esq; to be Captain-Lieutenant. Dated July 25, 1797.