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Admiralty-Office, March 12, 1799.

Extract of a Letter from the Right Honorable Lord Bridport, K. B. Admiral of the White, &c. &c. to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 10th Instant.

ENCLOSED is the Copy of a Letter from Captain Sir Charles Hamilton, of His Majesty's Ship Melpomene, which is transmitted to you for their Lordships' Information.

Melpomene, 3d March, 1799, off Brest.

My Lord,

I Have the Honor to inform you, that on the 28th Ult. about Nine Leagues from the Saints, I captured a Ship Privateer named Le Zelé, mounting Sixteen Guns and Sixty-Nine Men. As soon as I had shifted the Prisoners, I went in Pursuit of her Prize, (the Betsey, a valuable English Brig, from Santa Cruz bound to Liverpool,) and was within a Mile of her when she run on Shore among the Rocks of the Penmarks.

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

(Signed) C. HAMILTON.

The Right Honorable Lord Bridport, K. B. &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, March 12, 1799.

Extract of a Letter from Captain Thomas Hamilton, commanding the Sea-Fencibles at Margate, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 9th Instant.

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, that Yesterday Morning, about Ten o'Clock, a small Cutter was observed boarding Two Brigs Eight or Nine Miles from the North Foreland. The Wind being to the Eastward, with a Flood Tide, prevented the Camperdown Cutter, lying in Westgate Bay, from chasing. I sent an orderly Dragoon to the Admiral at Deal, not knowing the Force of the Privateer.

The Moment the Capture was perceived, Forty or Fifty of the Sea-Fencibles pushed off in Three Boats, and, near Three o'Clock, recaptured the Two Brigs, the Privateer having made off.

War-Office, March 12, 1799.

60th Regiment of Foot, Major-General William Gardiner, from the Half-Pay of the late 99th Foot, to be Colonel-Commandant of a Battalion, vice Christie, deceased.

Commissions in the Volunteer Association of the Ward of Broad-Street, in the City of London, signed by His Majesty. Dated December 10, 1798.

Henry Blaxland, Esq; to be Captain of the First Company, vice Perring, promoted.

John Hollingsworth, Gent. to be Lieutenant in Ditto, vice Rivaz, promoted.

Jesse Gregfon, Gent. to be Ensign in Ditto, vice Marriott, promoted.

Lieutenant Vincent Francis Rivaz, Esq; to be Captain of the Second Company, vice Blaxland, promoted.

Ensign Thomas Marriott, to be Lieutenant in Ditto, vice Hollingsworth, promoted.

George Revell, Gent. to be Ensign in Ditto, vice Gregfon, promoted.

The Rev. Roger Wilson, A. M. to be Chaplain.

Lewis Leese, Gent. to be Surgeon.

Commission in the Deptford Volunteer Associated Cavalry, signed by His Majesty. Dated March 5, 1799.

Isaac Parry, jun. Gent. to be Cornet, vice Goodhue, resigned.

Commissions in the Loyal Birmingham Volunteer Association, signed by His Majesty. Dated Feb. 20, 1799.

The Right Honorable Lord Brooke to be Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant.

John Breynton, Esq; to be Major.

Lowe Smith, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Osborne, resigned.

OFFICE FOR TAXES, SOMERSET-PLACE.

March 12, 1799.

PURSUANT to an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, Notice is hereby given, That the Average Price of Three per Centum Consolidated Annuities, sold at the Bank of England on this Day, was £. 54 per Centum.

By Order of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, Matthew Winter, Secretary.

APPRENTICE DUTY INDEMNITY.

Stamp-Office, Somerset-Place, Jan. 24, 1799.

HIS Majesty's Commissioners for managing the Stamp-Duties do hereby give Notice, That by a Clause in an Act of the present Session of Parliament,