

Whitehall, July 2, 1799.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Major-General William Souter His Royal Licence and Authority that he may assume and take the Surname of Johnston; and to order that His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be recorded in the College of Arms.

Admiralty-Office, July 2, 1799.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. William Le Lacheur, Commander of the Cutter private Ship of War the Resolution, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated at Guernsey, the 20th Ultimo.

SIR,

I Deem it my Duty to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that on the 25th May, in Lat. 43 N. Long. 16 W. I fell in with and captured the French Schooner Privateer La Vigie, of Fourteen long Four-Pounders, and Seventy-one Men, belonging to Bourdeaux, last from Corunna, from which Place she had been out Eight Days and had taken nothing; the Vessel is quite new, coppered, and was completely fitted out for a Three Months Cruise.

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

W. LE LACHEUR.

Admiralty-Office, July 2, 1799.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Graham Eden Hamond, Commander of His Majesty's Ship Champion, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated in Yarmouth-Roads the 1st Instant.

SIR,

I Beg Leave to enclose, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Copy of a Letter I have written to Admiral Lord Viscount Duncan, and have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

G. E. HAMOND.

His Majesty's Ship Champion, Yarmouth Roads, June 30, 1799.

MY LORD, I Beg Leave to inform your Lordship, that on the Morning of the 26th Instant, being off the Dudgeon, a Brig was observed from His Majesty's Ship under my Command boarding Two Merchant Vessels to Leeward.

After a Chace of Three Days and Two Nights, I had the Satisfaction to capture the Anacreon French Privateer, commanded by Citizen Blanckeman, belonging to Dunkirk, of Sixteen Guns and One Hundred and Twenty-five Men, Seventy-four of whom were away in Prizes she had made this Cruise.

She is almost a new Vessel, sails remarkably fast, is Copper-bottomed, and seems fit for His Majesty's Service.

I feel myself very happy in this Capture, as she has been a great Annoyance to the Trade on the Northern Coast.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

Admiral Lord Duncan.

G. E. HAMOND.

#### CHESTER CIRCUIT.

Montgomeryshire, Thursday July 25, at Pool.  
Denbighshire, Wednesday July 31, at Ruthin.  
Flintshire, Tuesday August 6, at Mold.  
Cheshire, Monday August 12, at Chester.

Whitehall, July 2.

As several Artificers and Manufacturers, Subjects of Great Britain, have, from Time to Time, gone into Foreign Countries to exercise their several Callings, contrary to the Laws of these Kingdoms, the following Abstracts of Acts of Parliament of Their late Majesties King George the First and Second, and of His present Majesty, for preventing such Practices, are published, for the Information of all Persons who may be ignorant of the Penalties they may incur by Disobedience to them: And it will be observed, that such Penalties likewise extend to those who are any ways concerned or instrumental in the Sending or Enticing Artificers or Manufacturers out of these Kingdoms, or in the Exportation of the Tools and Instruments used by them, as well as to the Artificers or Manufacturers themselves.

Statute 5 George I. Chap. 27.

IF any Person shall contract with, entice, or solicit, any Artificer in Wool, Iron, Steel, Brads, or other Metal, Clock-maker, Watch-maker, or any other Artificer of Great Britain, to go into Foreign Countries out of the King's Dominions, and shall be convicted thereof, upon Indictment or Information in any of the Courts at Westminster, or at the Assizes or Quarter-Sessions, he shall be fined any Sum not exceeding ONE HUNDRED POUNDS for the first Offence, and shall be imprisoned Three Months, and till the Fine be paid. And if any Person having been once convicted shall offend again, he shall be fined at the Discretion of the Court, and imprisoned Twelve Months, and till the Fine be paid.

If any of the King's Subjects, being such Artificers, shall go into any Country out of His Majesty's Dominions, to exercise or teach the said Trades to Foreigners; and if any of the King's Subjects in any such Foreign Country, exercising any of the said Trades, shall not return into this Realm within Six Months after Warning given by the Ambassador, Minister or Consul of Great Britain, in the Country where such Artificers shall be, or by any Person authorized by such Ambassador, &c. or by one of the Secretaries of State, and from henceforth inhabit within this Realm; such Persons shall be incapable of taking any Legacy, or of being an Executor or Administrator, or of taking any Lands, &c. within this Kingdom, by Descent, Devise, or Purchase, and shall forfeit all Lands, Goods, &c. within this Kingdom, to His Majesty's Use, and shall be deemed Alien, and out of His Majesty's Protection.

Upon Complaint made, upon Oath, before any Justice of Peace, that any Person is endeavouring to seduce any such Artificer, or that any such Artificer hath contracted or is preparing to go out of His Majesty's Dominions, for the Purposes aforesaid, such Justice may send his Warrant to bring the Person complained of before him, or before some other Justice; and if it shall appear by the Oath of One Witness, or by Confession, that he was guilty of any of the said Offences, such Justice may bind him to appear at the next Assizes or Quarter Sessions: And if such Person shall refuse to give Security, the Justice may commit him to Gaol till the next Assizes or Quarter Sessions, and until he shall be delivered by due Course of Law. And if any