

Admiralty-Office, March 8, 1800.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. John Doyle, Commander of the Maria Private Ship of War, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated at Guernsey the 21st of February 1800.

SIR,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that on the 24th Ultimo, in Latitude 42 Deg. 10 Min. N. Longitude 9 Deg. 15 Min. W. I discovered a Sail to Windward, to which I immediately gave Chace; and Six Hours after came up with and captured her. She proved to be the Nostra Siniora Carmien Spanish Lugger Privateer, Don Joseph O'lviera, Commander, mounting Two Guns, Nine-Pounders, with small Arms, and a Crew consisting of Forty-four Men. The Maria's Crew being far inferior in Point of Numbers, determined me to proceed for Viana, where I arrived the next Day with the Prize, and landed the Prisoners, by Order of the British Consul.

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

JOHN DOYLE.

Commissions in the Eastern Regiment of Essex Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

James B'atch, Esq; from the South Essex Militia, to be Lieutenant. Dated January 1, 1800.

Thomas William Maybey, from Ditto, to be Ensign. Dated as above.

William Tyler, from Ditto, to be Ensign. Dated January 2, 1800.

Commissions in the Goudhurst Volunteer Association, signed by His Majesty. Dated March 1, 1800.

Lieutenant Thomas Ollive to be Captain, vice Cartier, resigned.

John Greenland, Gent. to be Lieutenant.

Whitehall, March 1, 1800.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that on the Night between Tuesday the 11th and Wednesday the 12th Ultimo, a Stack of Wheat and adjacent Premises, the Property of Rogers Parker, of Munden, near Watford, in the County of Hertford, was wilfully set Fire to by some malicious Person or Persons unknown;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the Felony above-mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the Person who actually set Fire to the same,) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

PORTLAND.

And, as a Further Encouragement a Reward of FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS is hereby offered by Rogers Parker, of Munden, and George Woodford Thelluson, of Wall-Hall, Esqrs. to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted,) to be paid on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders by the aforesaid Rogers Parker and George Woodford Thelluson.

Whitehall, February 25, 1800.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that an anonymous Threatening Letter, of which the following is a Copy, has been received by the Inha-

bitants and Occupiers of Lands in White-Parish, in the County of Wilts, viz.

He that finds
it open it and
read it & set the
news all over
White-Parish

If all the Farmers in White-Parish Dont sink their Wheat their Barns shall be burn'd and they shall be in the middle of it, it is no use to offer no reward for I have nobody but myself Amen.

And whereas the above Threat (in Part) has been put in Execution by some evil-minded Person or Persons unknown, in the wilfully setting Fire on the Evening of Wednesday the 12th Instant to Two Barns, a Cow-House, a Quantity of Hay and Straw, a Fattening Calf, and several other Articles, which were consumed, situate on an Estate the Property of George Talden Foot, Esq; and in the Occupation of John Holloway, and known by the Name of Hayters Common Barn, and Premises, in the Parish of White-Parish aforesaid;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the above Felonies, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any One them (except the Person or Persons who actually wrote the said Letter, or set Fire to the said Premises,) who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

PORTLAND.

And as a further Encouragement a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS is hereby offered by the Inhabitants and Occupiers of the said Parish to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of any One or more of the Offenders by

Richard Drake, John White, Churchwardens, on Behalf of the said Parish.

Whitehall, February 25, 1800.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that an Inflammatory Hand-Bill, of which the following is a Copy, was stuck up in the Market-Place of the Town of Hitchin, in the County of Hertford, viz.

Advise to all poor Treadsmen and Laborers— with one consent lay all work asside and meet together in a bodey & see whats to be don in this case for your work all you can doe will not support you & your famelly your vile oppressors see how they use ye what yoke of bondage you are brought under be not affraid of horse nor staning arms but come forth with courage and resolution if you give way to those Villins you allways be bound under these changs. where in your libberty and freedom is intirely lost nothings to be done without you take this step sum may perteud to smoth and cailm you for heires our Soupmaker may come with doctrine of fine speechcis as keeping a cleen house and the Wife to give a smile send him to where hee com from and when whe want him whe will send for him if nothing better can be done than already is Id with every Man to leave his famelly—and let the D—m Heethen doe as they will for whey should whe starve in a land where theirs plenty never the more as a Wellwisher God blefs the King

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in writing and pub-