

Our Fleet, and also the First Captain to Our Flag-Officer appointed, or hereafter to be appointed to command a Fleet or Squadron of Ten Ships of the Line of Battle, or upwards, shall be deemed and taken to be a Flag-Officer, and shall be entitled to a Part or Share of Prizes as the Junior Flag-Officer of such Fleet or Squadron.

Given at Our Court, at the Queen's Palace, the Thirty-first Day of January One thousand eight hundred and five, in the Forty-fifth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

AT the Court at the Queen's Palace, the 31st of January 1805,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honorable Thomas Maitland Governor of the Settlements in the Island of Ceylon, he, this Day, took the Oaths as Governor of the said Settlements.

PRINCE of WALES's COUNCIL.

AT a Council held at Carlton-House, the First Day of February One thousand eight hundred and five, Samuel Stephens, of Tregenna Castle, Esq; was appointed Sheriff of the County of Cornwall for the Year One thousand eight hundred and five, by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales in Council.

Whitehall, February 2, 1805.

The King has been pleased to order a Congé d'Elire to pass the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, empowering the Dean and Chapter of the Metropolitan Church of Canterbury to elect an Archbishop of that See, the same being void by the Death of the Most Reverend Father in God Doctor John Moore; also His Majesty's Letter to the Dean and Chapter, recommending the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor Charles Manners Sutton, now Bishop of Norwich, to be by them elected Archbishop of the said See of Canterbury.

Admiralty-Office, February 1, 1805.

Copy of a Letter from the Right Honorable Lord K. B. Admiral of the Blue, &c. to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board His Majesty's Ship the Ardent, off Ramsgate, 31st of January 1805.

SIR,

I ENCLOSE, for their Lordships' Information, an Extract of a Letter from Captain Owen, of His Majesty's Ship *Immortalité*, to Vice-Admiral Holloway, acquainting him that a Division of the Enemy's Flotilla arrived at Boulogne on the 29th Instant from the Westward; and that One of them (a Lugger) had been cut off by the Harpy.

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

Extract of a Letter from Captain Owen, of the *Immortalité*, off Boulogne, to Vice-Admiral Holloway, dated 29th of January 1805.

A DIVISION of Seventeen Brigs, Three Schooners, Four Sloops, a Dogger, and Six Luggers, arrived this Morning from the Westward; and although I got close enough to exchange Shot with the Body of them, the Wind and Lee-Tide enabled them to haul close to the Beach, and pass in that Manner. One Lugger had carried away her Fore-mast, and was cut off by the Harpy, whose Fire she returned before she struck. I have sent her to the Downs with the Bruifer.

War-Office, February 2, 1805.

2d Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Captain William Frederick Spicer to be Major, by Purchase, vice Adams, promoted in the 25th Light Dragoons. Lieutenant Edward Hodge to be Captain of a Troop, vice Spicer.

Cornet Henry Tower to be Lieutenant, vice Hodge. 18th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Lieutenant St. George Knudson, from the 7th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Bamford, who exchanges.

25th Ditto, Hospital-Mate John Paddock to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Fisher, promoted in the 6th Foot.

1st Regiment of Foot Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Frederick Bentinck, from the 45th Foot, to be Captain of a Company, vice the Honorable Charles Fitzroy, who exchanges.

3d Regiment of Foot, Ensign Colthurst to be Lieutenant, without Purchase, vice Cameron, promoted.

7th Ditto, Lieutenant John Bamford, from the 18th Light Dragoons, to be Lieutenant, vice Knudson, who exchanges.

H. M. Ormsby, Gent. to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

9th Ditto, Lieutenant Henry W. Whitfield to be Captain of a Company, without Purchase.

14th Ditto, Lewis Algeo, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Goble, superseded, being absent without Leave.

18th Ditto, Ensign George Rawlings, from the 14th Foot, to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

Ensign Henry Barry, from the 2d Garrison Battalion, to be Ditto.

John Aiken, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Clapcott, who resigns.

27th Ditto, William Tighe, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Turretin, promoted.

28th Ditto.

To be Lieutenants, without Purchase,

Ensign Charles Cave Browne, vice Potter, promoted.

Ensign W. V. Taylor, vice Gale, promoted.

Ensign Bernard Ward, vice Marley, promoted in the 8th Garrison Battalion.

Ensign Isaac Rean, vice Ford, promoted in the 82d Foot.

Ensign and Adjutant Samuel James Macartney to have the Rank of Lieutenant.

To be Ensigns,

Philip Oliver Ellard, Gent. vice Brown.

John Light, Gent. vice Taylor.

Charles Augustus Henderfon, Gent. vice Ward.