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Admiralty-Office, February 21, 1809.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Newcombe, of His Majesty's Sloop *Beagle*, addressed to Commodore Owen, and transmitted by Vice-Admiral Campbell, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Downs, to the Honourable W. W. Pole, dated the 18th Instant.

SIR,

I BEG Leave to acquaint you, that early this Morning, (Boulogne bearing about S. S. E. Six Leagues,) His Majesty's Sloop under my Command captured a French Privateer, named *La Fortune*, of Fourteen Guns and Fifty-eight Men, and commanded by Captain Tucker. She was from Calais, Two Days on her Cruise, and had not made any Capture.

From their usual Intrepidity, they did not surrender until the *Beagle* ran her alongside, notwithstanding it blew strong with a heavy Sea. One of their Crew was mortally wounded.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) FRAS. NEWCOMBE.

To Commodore Owen, &c. &c. &c.

War-Office, February 21, 1809.

4th Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Sherlock to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by Purchase, vice Teesdale, who retires. Captain Henry Moore to be Major, vice Sherlock. Lieutenant Edmund Lally to be Captain of a Troop, vice Moore.

Cornet Robert Warren to be Lieutenant, vice Lally.

17th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Cornet Joseph Budden to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

Francis Curtayne, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Budden.

24th Ditto, Cornet Henry Nibbett to be Lieutenant, vice Young, deceased.

10th Regiment of Foot, James Brown-Steward, Gent. to be Ensign, by Purchase, vice Layard, promoted.

17th Ditto, Lieutenant Thomas Swyer to be Captain of a Company, vice Walker, deceased.

Ensign Charles Evans to be Lieutenant, vice Swyer.

Matthew Lickering, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Evans.

18th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Samuel Holmes to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Maguire, promoted.

Samuel M^cClintock, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Holmes.

Henry Gray, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Clifford, who resigns.

21st Ditto, Lieutenant Francis Whitfield, from Half-Pay of the 4th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Fuller, who exchanges.

25th Ditto, Hospital-Mate William Munro to be Assistant-Surgeon.

32d Ditto, Lieutenant William Grundy to be Captain of a Company, vice Tucker, deceased.

33d Ditto, Lieutenant John Paul to be Captain of a Company, vice Reed, deceased.

Ensign William B. M^cDonald to be Lieutenant, vice Paul.

— Gore, Gent. to be Ensign, vice M^cDonald.

52d Ditto.

To be Lieutenants, without Purchase,

Ensign Archibald Douglas.

Ensign John Dobbs.

Ensign William Royds.

Ensign Thomas Dundas.

54th Ditto, Richard Kelly, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Cockburne, promoted in the 4th Garrison Battalion.

55th Ditto, Lieutenant John Buller to be Adjutant, vice Nicholson, deceased.

60th Ditto, Robert Ellison, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Pooler, promoted in the 96th Foot.

68th Ditto, Ensign James Nixon to be Lieutenant, vice Macauley, deceased.

William Reed, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Nixon.

72d Ditto, Ensign Ronald M^cDonald to be Lieutenant, vice Gordon, deceased.

81st Ditto, Lieutenant A. Macalpine to be Adjutant, vice Lutman, promoted.

90th Ditto, Assistant-Surgeon Isaac Silcock, from the 6th Dragoons, to be Surgeon, vice Jones, deceased.

91st Ditto, John Fairfowl, Esq; late Lieutenant in the Ayrshire Militia, to be Paymaster of the 2d Battalion, vice Noden, who resigns.

93d Ditto, George M^cDonald, Gent. to be Ensign, without Purchase, vice Phaup, promoted.