

His Majesty's Sloop under my Command, ran her alongside, when she proved to be the French Luger Privateer Le Lezard, of St. Malo, manned with Fifty-seven Men, and pierced for Fourteen Guns, but not any found on board; failed from the Isle de Bas Last night, and has not made any Capture. From the judicious Position kept by Lord Viscount Neville, of the Actæon, and Captain Davies, of the Orestes, her Escape would have been difficult.

I have to add, that the Plover, in Company with those Sloops, has recaptured the English Ship Weymouth, from Gibraltar, just about to enter the Port of Aber-wrach.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) PHILIP BROWNE.

War-Office, November 14, 1809.

HIS MAJESTY has been pleased to appoint the under mentioned Officers of the East India Company's Forces to take Rank by Brevet in His Majesty's Army, in the East Indies only, as follows:

COLONELS

David Campbell,
John Wiseman,
John Orr,
James Pringle,

To be MAJOR-GENERALS.

LIEUTENANT-COLONELS

Gabriel Doveton,
Thomas Dallas,
Alexander Cuppage,
Aldwell Taylor,
John Chalmers,
Alexander Dyce,
Keith Macalister,
Charles Corner,
Robert M. Strunge,
John J. Durand,

To be COLONELS.

MAJORS

Walter C. Lennon,
Colin Mackenzie,

To be LIEUTENANT-COLONELS.

PROCLAMATION

For pardoning Deserters from His Majesty's Land Forces.

War-Office, October 24, 1809.

WHEREAS it has been most humbly submitted to the King, whether, on the joyful Occasion of His Majesty's entering into the Fiftieth Year of His Reign, it might not be desirable to distinguish so memorable an Epoch by an Act of Grace to all Deserters; and His Majesty having graciously approved of His Free Pardon being extended to all such Deserters from His Land Forces as shall deliver themselves up within Two Months from the 25th Instant: *These are publicly to declare His Majesty's benevolent Intention; and to direct that all Deserters, surrendering themselves to the Commanding Officer of any Regiment, or to any of the Superintending Field Officers of the Recruiting Service, whose Stations are mentioned in the Margin hereof; to the Commandant of the Army Depôt in the Isle of Wight; Carlisle.*

Leeds. Magistrate, shall be pardoned, and they are hereby pardoned accordingly.
Manchester. Such Deserters, if from the Regular Forces, being Able-bodied Men and fit for Service, shall be sent to the Nottingham. Regiments from which they respectively deserted, or be appointed to Ipswich. such Regiments in the United Kingdom as His Majesty may be pleased to Shrewsbury. command; and, when so placed, shall Birmingham. not be liable to be claimed by any other Hereford. Corps to which they may formerly Bedford. have belonged: and if from the Militia, shall be sent to the Regiments to which they Mairstone. respectively belonged.
Gloucester.
Southampton.
Wells.
London.

And Whereas many of the said Deserters may have enlisted in other Corps, and are now serving therein, His Majesty is graciously pleased to extend to such Deserters the Benefit of this Pardon; and to direct that they shall continue to serve in the Corps wherein they now are, upon declaring themselves to their respective Commanding Officers, on or before the Period abovementioned: and they shall not be liable, at any future Time, to be claimed by the Regiments in which they formerly served.

The Magistrate, to whom any Deserter, as above, may surrender himself, is authorized and required to certify the Day on which such Deserter surrendered himself; which Certificate is to continue in Force until the Arrival of the Deserter at the nearest Military Post, provided he proceed at the Rate of Ten Miles a Day, unless prevented by Sickness, to be certified by some Medical Practitioner on the Back of the Magistrate's Certificate; or to be otherwise proved to the Satisfaction of the Officer commanding at such Military Post.

His Majesty has further been pleased to direct, that Deserters now actually in Confinement as such, shall have the Benefit of this His Royal Pardon.

By His Majesty's Command,
GRANVILLE LEVESON GOWER.

Admiralty-Office, November 10, 1809.

IT being intended to distribute to the Poor Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy, whose Circumstances come within the Rules of the Charity established for their Relief, such Monies as may be due to them, on account of their Pensions, up to the 30th of November instant. This is to give Notice, that any Widows who have not yet applied for the Pension, and intend to lay in their Claims, may do so as soon as possible, by Letter addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty: and that all such Widows, whose Claims have been already allowed, must send or bring to this Office, as soon as possible after the 17th instant, the Affidavits required by the Rules, in order to their being continued upon the Pension List.

J. W. CROKER.

Navy-Office, November 2, 1809.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Thursday the 23d Instant, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be