



The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

From Tuesday, October 22, to Saturday, October 26, 1811.

Admiralty-Office, October 26, 1811.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Vansittart, of His Majesty's Ship Fortunee, addressed to Vice-Admiral Thornbrough, and transmitted by the latter to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

*His Majesty's Ship Fortunee, at Sea,
October 11, 1811.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to report to you, that His Majesty's Ship under my Command, and the Saldanha cruising in Company, in the Execution of your Order of the 14th Ult. at Daylight this Morning, the Saldanha at Six or Seven Miles Distance, bearing West by North, Wind West, a strange Ship was discovered South West by South, distant Seven or Eight Miles on the Larboard Tack, which immediately tacked and made all Sail from us; at Three o'Clock, the Saldanha closing first on the Weather Quarter of the Chase, and His Majesty's Ship under my Command on the Lee Beam, the Shot flying over her, she struck, and proves to be the famous Privateer Le Vice-Amiral Martin, which, by the Superiority of her sailing, has so often escaped from His Majesty's Ships, and has been so successful on her former Cruises. I have the greater Pleasure in communicating this Capture, as both Captain Pakenham and myself feel assured, that from the Style of her sailing and the Dexterity of her Manœuvres, neither Ship singly, though both were going Eleven Knots with Royals set, would have succeeded in capturing her. She mounts Eighteen Guns, and One Hundred and Forty Men, Four Days out from Bayonne, and had not taken any thing.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) H. VANSITTART, Captain.

Foreign-Office, Downing-Street, October 26, 1811.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been graciously pleased, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, to appoint Anthony Saint John Baker, Esq; to be His Majesty's Secretary of Legation in America.

Whitehall, October 19, 1811.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been graciously pleased, in the Name and on the

Behalf of His Majesty, to grant unto the Right Honourable Arthur Lord Viscount Wellington, one of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Companion of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General in the Army, and General and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces serving in Spain and Portugal; also Marshal-General in the Army of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent of Portugal, His Majesty's Royal Licence and Authority that he may accept the Dignity and use the Title of *Conde de Vimeira*, together with all the Rights, Privileges, and Immunities thereunto annexed; and that he may also accept and wear the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Portuguese Military Order of the Tower and Sword; which Honours have been conferred upon the said Lord Viscount Wellington by the Prince Regent of Portugal, in Testimony of the high Estimation in which His Royal Highness holds his distinguished and glorious Services on various important Occasions:

And also to command, that the said Royal Concession and Declaration be registered, together with the relative Documents, in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Whitehall, October 19, 1811.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been graciously pleased, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, to grant unto Sir William Carr Beresford, Knight Companion of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Major-General in the Army, Lieutenant-General of His Majesty's Forces serving in Spain and Portugal, and Representative in Parliament for the County of Waterford, also Marshal and Commander in Chief of the Portuguese Forces, His Majesty's Royal Licence and Authority, that he may accept the Dignity, and use the Title of, *Conde de Trancoso*, together with all the Rights, Privileges, and Immunities thereunto annexed; and that he may also accept and wear the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Portuguese Military Order of the Tower and Sword, which Honours have been conferred on the said Sir William Carr Beresford, by the Prince Regent of Portugal, in Testimony of the high Estimation in which His Royal Highness holds his distinguished Services:

