

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, October 21, 1816.*

Notice is hereby given, that Her Majesty's birth-day, which falls on the 18th of January, will be celebrated by a Drawing-Room at the Queen's-Palace, on the 6th of February; and that the birth-day of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent will also be celebrated by a Drawing-Room at Her Majesty's Palace, on St. George's Day, the 23d of April.

It is most earnestly recommended and desired, that the Nobility and Gentry, and all persons attending upon those occasions, will appear in dresses entirely of British manufacture.

*Crown-Office, December 28, 1816.*

MEMBER returned to serve in this present PARLIAMENT.

*County of Worcester.*

The Honourable Henry Beauchamp Lygon, in the room of the Honourable William Beauchamp Lygon, commonly called Viscount Elmley, now Earl Beauchamp, called up to the House of Peers.

*Whitehall, December 31, 1816.*

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to grant unto Richard Armstrong, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army, Companion of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, and Colonel of the 4th Regiment of Portuguese Infantry, His Majesty's royal licence and permission, that he may accept and wear the insignia of a Knight of the Royal Portuguese Military Order of the Tower and Sword, with which His Majesty the King of Portugal hath been pleased to honour him, as a testimony of the high sense which that Sovereign entertains of the great courage and intrepidity displayed by him in several actions with the enemy in the Peninsula; provided nevertheless, that His Majesty's said licence and permission doth not authorise, and shall not be deemed or construed to authorise, the assumption of any style, appellation, rank, precedence, or privilege appertaining unto a Knight Bachelor of these realms:

And His Royal Highness hath been further pleased to command, that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

*Whitehall, December 31, 1816.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed William James Voules, of Windsor, in the county of Berks, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

*Whitehall, December 31, 1816.*

Whereas it hath been humbly represented unto His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, on Wednesday morning the 11th instant, between

three and four o'clock, two stacks of barley in the stack yard of Joseph Briggs, at Ossington, in the county of Nottingham, were discovered to be on fire; and that there is every reason to believe that the said stacks were wilfully and maliciously set on fire;

His Royal Highness, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the persons concerned in the felony above-mentioned, is hereby pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to promise His Majesty's most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually set fire to the said stacks), who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof. SIDMOUTH.

And, as a further encouragement, a reward of FIFTY GUINEAS is hereby offered by the said Joseph Briggs, to any person (except as before excepted) who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof, or to any person or persons who shall apprehend and bring the offenders, or any of them, to conviction, or cause them, or any of them, to be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid.

*Whitehall, December 31, 1816.*

Whereas it hath been humbly represented unto His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, in the night between Sunday the 15th and Monday the 16th instant, a farm, called Wakeley, near Buntingford, in the county of Hertford, in the occupation of Mr. James Overall, was wilfully and maliciously set on fire by some evil-disposed person or persons, which consumed several stacks of corn and hay;

His Royal Highness, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the persons concerned in the felony above-mentioned, is hereby pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to promise His Majesty's most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually 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. SIDMOUTH.

And, as a further encouragement, a reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS is hereby offered by the Right Honourable the Earl of Hardwicke to any person (except as is before excepted) who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof, or to any person or persons who shall apprehend and bring the said offenders, or any of them, to conviction, or cause them, or any of them, so to be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid.

*Whitehall, December 27, 1816.*

Whereas it hath been humbly represented unto His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, between the hours of six and ten o'clock on Monday evening the 25th November last, a grist mill,