

or ten shilling pieces," each of which should be of the value of ten shillings, and that each piece should be of the weight of two pennyweights thirteen grains $\frac{6,370}{10,000}$ troy weight of standard gold, according to the weights approved of and confirmed by Us in Council, in pursuance of an Act made in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for regulating and ascertaining the weights to be made use of in weighing the gold and silver coin of this kingdom;" and We have further thought fit to order that every such piece of gold money, so ordered to be coined as aforesaid, shall have for the obverse impression the head of His Majesty, with the inscription "Georgius III. Dei Gratia:" and the date of the year; and for the reverse the ensigns armorial of the United Kingdom, contained in a shield, with the inscription "Britanniarum Rex. Fid. Def.:" with a newly invented graining on the edge of the piece: and whereas pieces of gold money of the above description have been coined at His Majesty's Mint, and will be coined there, in pursuance of Orders which We have given for that purpose: We have therefore, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, thought fit to issue this Proclamation; and We do hereby, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, ordain, declare, and command, that the said pieces of gold money so coined, and to be coined as aforesaid, shall be current and lawful money of the kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and shall be called "half sovereigns or ten shilling pieces," and shall pass and be received as current and lawful money of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and every of such pieces, not weighing less than two penny weights, thirteen grains and one quarter, shall pass and be received as of the value of ten shillings of lawful money of Great Britain and Ireland in all payments whatsoever.

Given at the Court at Carlton-House, the tenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

GOD save the KING.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey.

1st Regiment Royal Surrey Militia.

William Bowen Challenor, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated October 11, 1817.

Surrey Yeomanry Cavalry.

Henry Peters, jun. Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated October 3, 1817.

Sir Henry Bridges, Knt. to be Cornet. Dated October 11, 1817.

Commissions in the Ayrshire Yeomanry Cavalry, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Ayr.

Cornet William Whiteside to be Lieutenant, vice Philip Whiteside, resigned. Dated November 5, 1817.

Elias Cathcart, Gent. to be Cornet, vice William Whiteside, promoted. Dated as above.

Whitehall, October 11, 1817.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented unto His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, some evil-disposed person or persons did some time since maliciously maim, wound, and injure five ewe sheep, the property of Mr. James Hull, of the parish of Potterne, in the county of Wilts, which said sheep soon afterwards died; and also, that some time in the night between Sunday the 25th and Monday the 26th days of May last, a similar outrage was committed upon two mares and a gelding, the property of Mr. Thomas Hull, at Whistley, in the said parish, which said two mares are since dead;

His Royal Highness, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the person or 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 committed either of the said felonies), 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 to any person or persons (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 offenders, or any of them, to conviction, or cause them, or any of them, so to be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid.—Twenty guineas of the above reward to be paid by Mr. W. W. Salmon, Treasurer of the Devises Society for the Prosecution of Felons, and thirty guineas by the said Messrs. Thomas and James Hull.

As a further encouragement, the Justices of the Peace of the county of Wilts, feeling at all times a most anxious wish to assist in the detection of crimes and protection of property, and moved in the present instance, by the peculiar enormity, cruelty, and malice of the offences above stated, do hereby offer one reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS (in addition to the reward offered by Mr. Hull and Mr. Rolfe), to be paid to any person who will give such information as may lead to the detection and apprehension of the offender or offenders in any one of the above cases, the same to be paid after the trial of the offender or offenders, on application to

Jno. Swayne, Deputy Clerk of the Peace of the said County.

Wilton, October 23, 1817.

The same reward will be given to any person discovering his or her accomplice.