

with a direction contained in the last will and testament of his late maternal uncle, the Reverend Frederick Dodsworth, late of Thornton Hall aforesaid, Clerk, D.D. one of the Canons of His Majesty's Free Chapel of St. George within the Castle of Windsor, deceased, take the surname of Dodsworth only, and bear and use the arms of Dodsworth, of Thornton Hall, quarterly with those of Smith; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Heralds' Office, otherwise the said royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to command, that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Whitehall, June 20, 1821.

The King hath been pleased to grant unto Arthur Heathcote Shepley, of Stancliffe Hall, in the parish of Darley in the Dale, in the county of Derby, Gentleman, His royal licence and authority, that he and his issue may, in compliance with a direction contained in the last will and testament of his maternal uncle, John Heathcote, late of Stancliffe Hall, Gentleman, deceased, take and use the surname and bear the arms of Heathcote only; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Heralds' Office, otherwise the said royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to command, that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Commissions in the Regiment of Bedfordshire Yeomanry Cavalry, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Bedford.

Thomas William Coventry, Gent. to be Lieutenant.
Dated 31st May 1821.
John Clements, Gent. to be Cornet. Dated as above.

Whitehall, June 9, 1821.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented unto the King, that, on the night of Friday the 1st instant, a barn with the thrashing and winnowing machines, and a straw-house and stable, the property of Mr. John Russell, of Low Heworth, in the county of Durham, were destroyed by fire, and from the circumstances there is the strongest reason to suspect that the same were maliciously set on fire;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the persons concerned in the felonies above mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually set fire to the said premises), who shall discover his accomplice or ac-

complices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And, as a further encouragement, the following rewards are hereby offered to any person (except as aforesaid), who shall discover the said offender or offenders, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted of the said offence, viz. the sum of FIFTY POUNDS by the said John Russell, and a further sum of FIFTY POUNDS by the Heworth Association for prosecuting felons.

Admiralty-Office, June 22, 1821.

IN order to prevent inconvenience to individual Officers, as well as to His Majesty's Service, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty think it necessary to remind the Officers of His Majesty's Navy and Royal Marine Forces, that they cannot receive their half-pay for any period during which they may be absent from this kingdom without their Lordships' leave, and that Officers who may wish to remain abroad, beyond their original leave, should take care to apply for a renewal thereof in due time, so that such application may be received at this Office prior to the expiration of the former leave, as (unless very special circumstances can be stated in any particular case), no half-pay can be paid for any period of absence abroad which shall not be covered by their Lordships' leave.

All applications, either for original leave, or for a renewal thereof, whether made through agents or otherwise, must be written by the Officer himself and addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty; Officers who may not employ an agent may have the public fees on their letters of leave deducted from their half-pay, on specifying their desire to that effect in the letter asking for the leave.

This regulation will take effect from this date with regard to all Officers hereafter applying for leave; and from the 1st of January next with regard to Officers now abroad on the Continent of Europe or North America, and after the 1st of July 1822 with regard to Officers in other parts of the World.

J. W. Croker.

Admiralty-Office, June 25, 1821.

THE Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty being desirous of increasing the number of chronometers for the use of His Majesty's Navy, and of encouraging the improved manufacture of that important article, do hereby give notice, that a depôt for the reception of chronometers is opened at the Royal Observatory of Greenwich, where the makers will be permitted to deposit their chronometers, in order to their being tried, and ultimately, if they should be found worthy of selection, purchased for the use of the Navy, or of being disposed of by the proprietors to private purchasers.

And for further encouragement, their Lordships will purchase at the end of each year, the chronometer which shall have kept the best time, at