

ment respecting the neutrality of the Mediterranean Sea.

Although it has become indispensable for His Majesty and the King of France to suspend the co-operation of their forces with those of His Imperial Majesty, in consequence of this resumption of the exercise of His belligerent rights, the best understanding prevails between the three Powers in their endeavours to accomplish the remaining objects of the Treaty of London.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

We are commanded by His Majesty to acquaint you, that the estimates for the current year will forthwith be laid before you. His Majesty relies on your readiness to grant the necessary supplies, with a just regard to the exigencies of the public service, and to the economy which His Majesty is anxious to enforce in every department of the State.

His Majesty has the satisfaction to announce to you the continued improvement of the revenue. The progressive increase in that branch of it which is derived from articles of internal consumption is peculiarly gratifying to His Majesty, as affording a decisive indication of the stability of the national resources, and of the increased comfort and prosperity of His people.

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

The state of Ireland has been the object of His Majesty's continued solicitude.

His Majesty laments that in that part of the United Kingdom an Association should still exist which is dangerous to the public peace, and inconsistent with the spirit of the Constitution; which keeps alive discord and ill-will amongst His Majesty's subjects; and which must, if permitted to continue, effectually obstruct every effort permanently to improve the condition of Ireland.

His Majesty confidently relies on the wisdom and on the support of His Parliament; and His Majesty feels assured, that you will commit to Him such powers as may enable His Majesty to maintain His just authority.

His Majesty recommends, that when this essential object shall have been accomplished, you should take into your deliberate consideration the whole condition of Ireland; and that you should review the laws which impose civil disabilities on His Majesty's Roman Catholic subjects.

You will consider whether the removal of those disabilities can be effected consistently with the full and permanent security of our establishments in

Church and State, with the maintenance of the reformed Religion established by law, and of the rights and privileges of the Bishops and of the Clergy of this Realm, and of the Churches committed to their charge. These are institutions which must ever be held sacred in this Protestant Kingdom, and which it is the duty and the determination of His Majesty to preserve inviolate.

His Majesty most earnestly recommends to you to enter upon the consideration of a subject of such paramount importance, deeply interesting to the best feelings of His people, and involving the tranquillity and concord of the United Kingdom, with the temper and the moderation which will best ensure the successful issue of your deliberations.

*Whitehall, February 3, 1829.*

The King has been pleased to present the Reverend John McAllister to the church at Innerwick of Glenlyon, in the parish of Fortingale, in the presbytery of Dunkeld and shire of Perth.

The King has also been pleased to present the Reverend Peter McVean to the church at Muckairn, in the presbytery of Lorn and shire of Argyll.

The King has also been pleased to present the Reverend James Pearson to the church at Kilmenny, in the united parishes of Bowmore and Kilmenny, in the presbytery of Kintyre and shire of Argyll.

*Office of Ordnance, 4th February 1829.*

*Royal Regiment of Artillery.*

Captain and Brevet Major Richard Jones to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Egan, retired. Dated 31st December 1828.

Captain and Brevet Major John Edward Jones to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Hickman, retired. Dated 31st December 1828.

Second Captain John Edward George Parker to be Captain, vice J. E. Jones, Dated 31st December 1828.

First Lieutenant George Tempest Rowland to be Second Captain, vice Parker. Dated 31st December 1828.

Second Lieutenant George John Beresford to be First Lieutenant, vice Rowland. Dated 31st December 1828.

*Corps of Royal Engineers.*

Captain Henry William Vavasour to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Douglas, retired on half-pay. Dated 28th January 1829.

Brevet Major William Reid to be Captain, vice Vavasour. Dated 28th January 1829.

First Lieutenant Henry Hill Willson to be Second Captain, vice Reid. Dated 28th January 1829.

Second Lieutenant Thomas Hosmer Rimington to be First Lieutenant, vice Willson, promoted. Dated 28th January 1829.