

4 P. M. when fearing a longer pursuit would carry us too far from the mouth of the Straits, and considering the immense property at stake, I made the signal to tack, and at 8 P. M. we anchored in a situation to proceed for the entrance of the Straits in the morning. As long as we could distinguish the enemy, we perceived him steering to the eastward, under a press of sail.

The Royal George had one man killed and another wounded, many shot in her hull, and more in her sails; but few shot touched either the Camden or the Ganges, and the fire of the enemy seemed to be ill directed, his shot either falling short or passing over us.

Captain Timmings carried the Royal George into action in the most gallant manner. In justice to my brother Commanders, I must state, that every ship was clear and prepared for action; and as I had communication with almost all of them during the two days we were in presence of the enemy, I found them unanimous in the determined resolution to defend the valuable property entrusted to their charge to the last extremity, with a full conviction of the successful event of their exertions; and this spirit was fully seconded by the gallant ardour of all our officers and ships companies.

From Malacca I dispatched Lieutenant Fowler, in the Ganges brig, to Pulo Pinang, with a packet from the Select Committee, to the Captain of any of his Majesty's ships, soliciting their convey to this very valuable fleet.

On arrival at Malacca, we were informed that the Squadron we had engaged, was that of Admiral Lincois, consisting of the Marengo, of 84 guns, the Belle Poule and Semillante heavy frigates, a corvette of 28, and a Batavian brig, William of 18 guns.

The 28th of February, in the Straits of Malacca, in lat. 4. 30 N. we fell in with his Majesty's ships Albion and Sceptre. I was then in a very poor state of health, and Mr Lance went on board the Albion, and by his very able representation to Captain Ferrer, of the great national consequence of the Honourable Company's ships, he was induced to take charge of the fleet.

On the 3d March I dispatched the Ganges brig with a letter to the Right Hon. the Governor General, giving an account of our action, to be conveyed to the Honourable Court.

We arrived at St Helena the 9th of June, under convoy of his Majesty's ships Albion and Sceptre, and sailed the 18th under convoy of his Majesty's ship Plantagenet, with the addition of the Carmarthen, Captain Debee, and five Whalers.

Accompanying this, I send a chart of the entrance of the Straits of Malacca, with the situations of the fleet on the 14th and 15th of February, which will, I trust, convey a more distinct idea of the action, than any written description. I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient humble servant,  
NATHANIEL DANCE.  
Earl Camden, Aug. 6, 1804.

NAMES OF THE WHALERS.—William Fenning, Brook Watson, Thomas, or Young Tom, Betsey, Eliza, and the Blackhouse from the coast of Guinea, joined us at sea.

#### DOWNING-STREET—AUG. 9.

The King has been pleased to cause it to be signified by the Right Honourable Lord Harlowby, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the Ministers of Neutral Powers residing at this Court, that the necessary measures have been taken, by his Majesty's command, for the blockade of the entrance of the ports of Recamp, St Vallery en Caux, Diappe, Treport, The Somme, Etaples, Boulogne, Calais, Gravelines, Dunkirk, Newport, and Ostend; and

that from this time all the measures authorized by the law of nations, and the respective treaties between his Majesty and the different Neutral Powers will be adopted and executed with respect to all vessels which may attempt to violate the said blockade.

#### CROWN-OFFICE—August 11.

Members returned to serve in this present Parliament.  
*Borough of Barnstable.*—The Hon. Hugh Fortescue, commonly called Lord Viscount Ebrington, in the room of Sir Edward Pellew, Bart. who, since his election for the said borough, hath accepted the office of Bailiff or Steward of his Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham, in the county of Buckingham.

*County of Middlesex.*—George Boulton Mainwaring, Esq. in the room of Sir Francis Burdett, Bart. whose election for the said county has been adjudged to be void.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM THOMSON, Spirit Dealer in Edinburgh.  
THAT upon the application of William Haig, distiller in Kincauld, a creditor of the said William Thomson to the extent required by law, the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills, on the 11th inst. sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of the said Wm Thomson, and appointed his creditors to meet in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Friday the 17th August inst. at one o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of choosing an interim factor; and to meet a second time, at the same place and hour, upon Monday 3d September next, for electing a trustee upon said sequestrated estate. Of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the statute.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM EWING, Farmer and Cattle-dealer at Greenhill, in the Parish of Balfron.  
THAT, upon the application of the said William Ewing, with concurrence of a creditor to the extent required by law, the Lord Balmuto, Ordinary officiating on the bills, upon 10th August current, sequestrated his whole estate, heritable and moveable, real and personal, and appointed his creditors to meet within the Saracen's Head Inn, Stirling, upon Friday the 24th current, at one o'clock afternoon, to name an interim factor; and also to meet again, at the same place and hour, upon Friday 21st September next, to chuse a trustee upon the said sequestrated estate.—Of which this intimation is given in terms of the statute.  
Edinburgh, Aug. 14, 1804.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

ROBERT DUDGEON, Manufacturer in Glasgow.  
HERCULES SCOT, Merchant in Glasgow, trustee upon the said Robert Dudgeon's sequestrated estate, hereby intimates, that a state of the bankrupt's affairs lie in his hands for the inspection of the creditors till the 26th August current, being the period assigned for making a second dividend, but which cannot then be made, for want of funds.  
Glasgow, Aug. 10, 1804.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

JAMES SMALL, Merchant in Dundee, a Partner of JAMES IVORY and COMPANY, Manufacturers in Douglafoun.  
PATERSON SAUNDERS, Writer in Dundee, Trustee upon the sequestrated estate of the said James Small, has made up a state of the debts ranked, and claims made upon the said estate, with a state of the funds recovered and still unrecovered; which states lie open for the inspection of the creditors, or their agents, in the trustee's hands, at his writing-office, Dundee.—Of which intimation is given to all concerned; and the trustee requests a General Meeting of the Creditors to be held in the house of Alexander Morren, vintner, Dundee, upon Wednesday the 5th September next, at one o'clock afternoon, to consider of matters of importance to the estate.—No dividend.  
Dundee, Aug. 2, 1804.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM MCCREDIE, Cattle-Dealer in Craigmelnie.  
THAT upon the 14th day of August 1804, the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of William McCredie, cattle dealer in Craigmelnie, and appointed a meeting of his creditors to be held in the house of Mrs Murray, innkeeper in Wigton, on Tuesday the 21st day of August current, at 12 o'clock noon, to name an interim factor of the said estate; and another meeting of the creditors, to be held at the same place and hour, upon Tuesday the 19th day of September next, for the purpose of naming a trustee. Of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the statute.

#### NOTICE.

THAT on the first day of March last, ALEXANDER MACKENZIE SHAW withdrew all concern from the Copartnership of IMRAY, YOUNG, and COMPANY, Brewers in Inverness—Of which the public will take notice.

#### NOTICE.

WHEREAS the Right Honourable LORD ELLIOTT did some time ago convey to Charles Blackrig, accountant in Edinburgh, in trust, all right and interest which his Lordship had as heir of entail in the Estates of Ballancriff, in the county of Haddington; Blackbarony, in the county of Peebles; and Ellbank, in the county of Selkirk; for the purposes mentioned in a certain Deed of Trust executed by his Lordship.—And whereas a power was given to the trustee to sell such right and interest, provided a majority of creditors, in value, should concur in a resolution to that effect.—The trustee does hereby, in terms of a special clause in the deed of trust, require the creditors entitled to the benefit thereof, or their agents, properly authorized, to meet in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 29th day of August 1804, at two o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of determining whether or not the trustee shall proceed to sell the Right and Interest of the Heir of Entail in the estates above mentioned.  
Edinburgh, July 27, 1804.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

ARCHD. SMITH, Junior, Merchant in Glasgow.  
THE appointment of Mr James Handyside, merchant in Glasgow, as trustee on Mr Smith's sequestrated estate, being confirmed by the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills, the trustee hereby intimates to the creditors, that the Sheriff of Lanarkshire has fixed Thursday the 23d inst. and Thursday the 6th September next, at eleven o'clock A. M. for the public examination of the bankrupt, and others, within the Sheriff-court House at Glasgow; and that a general meeting of the creditors will be held within the Fontine Tavern in Glasgow, on Friday the 7th of September, at one o'clock P. M. for instructing the trustee as to the management and recovery of said estate.

Such of the creditors as have not already lodged with the trustee their claims and vouchers of debt, with oaths of verity thereon, are required to do so at or previous to the said meeting, or failing thereof, on or before the 1st of April next, being ten months from the date of the first deliverance on the petition for sequestration; with certification to such of them as neglect, that they will have no share in the first distribution of the bankrupt's estate.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

The Rev. Dr ROBERT SMALL, Minister of the Gospel, Dundee, and Partner of JAMES IVORY and COMPANY, Manufacturers, Douglafoun.  
PATERSON SAUNDERS, Writer in Dundee, Trustee upon the said Robert Small's sequestrated estate, has made up a state of the debts entitled to a share of the first dividend, a state of the bankrupt's funds recovered, and of those still outstanding; with a scheme or cast apportioning the fund of division among the creditors, all in terms of the statute: which states and schemes lie open for the inspection of the creditors, or their agents, in the trustee's hands, at his writing-office, Dundee; and upon the 3d of September next, or any lawful day thereafter, he will pay the first dividend: And for that purpose, as well as to consider of matters of importance to the sequestrated estate, he hereby requests a General Meeting of the Creditors to be held within the house of Alexander Morren, vintner in Dundee, upon Monday the 3d September next, at one o'clock afternoon.  
Dundee, Aug. 2, 1804.

#### TO THE CREDITORS OF

ANDREW RAMSAY, Slater in Edinburgh.  
UPON the application of Alexander Campbell, accountant in Edinburgh, trustee on the sequestrated estate of the said Andrew Ramsay, the Sheriff of Edinburgh has fixed Friday the 24th of August, and Friday the 7th of September 1804, at 12 o'clock noon, each day, within the Sheriff-Clerk's office, Edinburgh, for the public examination of the bankrupt, his family, and others in the knowledge of his affairs.

The trustee requests a meeting of the creditors within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Saturday the 8th of September 1804, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of instructing him relative to the management and recovery of the estate, and for choosing commissioners.

All the creditors are hereby required to produce in the trustee's hands (No. 12. South Frederick Street) their grounds of debt, with oaths of verity thereon; with certification, that unless their productions are made between and the 5th May next, being ten months from the date of the sequestration, the creditors will have no share in the first distribution of the bankrupt's funds.