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WHITEHALL—Nov. 20. 1804.

The King has been pleased to appoint CHARLES HOPE, Esq. late his Majesty's Advocate of Scotland, to be his Majesty's Justice Clerk in Scotland, in the room of Sir DAVID RAE, of Eskgrove, Bart. deceased.

The King has also been pleased to appoint Sir JAMES MONTGOMERY, of Stanhope, Bart. Advocate and Prefenter of Signatures, to be his Majesty's Advocate in Scotland, in the room of CHARLES HOPE, Esq.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE—Nov. 20. 1804.

Copy of a letter from Captain Hancock, of his Majesty's sloop the *Cruizer*, to William Marsden, Esq. dated in Yarmouth Roads the 17th inst.

SIR,

I herewith enclose, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, my letter of this day's date to Lord Keith, acquainting him with my having captured the French brig privateer *Le Contre Amiral Magon*, commanded by Captain Blackeman, from Dunkirk.

I have the honour to be, &c.

JOHN HANCOCK.

Cruizer at Sea, off Yarmouth, Ten A. M. My Lord, October 17. 1804.

I have the honour to acquaint your Lordship, that being last night, at nine P. M. with his Majesty's sloop under my command, and the gun-brigs *Bold* and *Ann*, and *Florence* cutter, close in with Ostend, in five fathoms water, which station I had taken from the moment the wind came to the eastward, to follow with every possible efficacy and energy your Lordship's instructions in the important duty entrusted to me, of watching the enemy's movements at that port and Flushing, we observed a strange sail standing in shore, which, on discovering us, wore and made all

fail, steering at first with the wind abast the beam; we immediately made all sail in chase, which continued during the whole night, in which the stranger displayed much skill and ability in all his manœuvres, and tried us on every point of sailing, with various success; he sometimes gaining on us, and we in our turn nearing him, till five A. M. in which time (eight hours) we had run ninety-seven miles, by the log: During the latter part of the chase the wind freshened considerably; but this gave us not the advantage I expected, as he preserved his distance till a quarter before five A. M. when both his topmasts went away; he then attempted a masterly manœuvre to escape, which the haze, the darkness of the morning, and the lee tide, gave him a fair prospect of succeeding in, by clearing up his remaining sails, and coming instantly to an anchor, although in twenty-five fathoms water, in hopes we should either pass him unperceived, or get to leeward. Although I was not aware, to the full extent, of this accident and manœuvre, I never lost sight of him; and at the time it happened I observed we were nearing him so very fast, that I had begun to reduce the sail; but, as we were going then more than eleven knots, I had but a few minutes time before I was up with him, and the wind blowing so fresh as to risk the loss of all our masts, if I attempted to haul to wind with the sail I had then set, I was under the necessity of passing him, which I did, however, within hail, and to windward, and not receiving any answer, except that he was from Philadelphia, in bad English, I ordered three guns to be fired into him. I then plainly discovered him to be a large armed brig with nine ports on a side; having in a few minutes taken two reefs in the topsails, and cleared the decks of

wrecked spars, and split sails, we tacked, and ranged up within ten yards of his lee-quarter, he having cut his cable, and again attempted to make sail, when, just as I was on the point of hailing him preparatory to giving him our broadside, he called out and begged us not to fire, as he had struck.

On boarding him I was pleased to find my opinion confirmed that I had captured Captain Blanckman, so well known during the late and present wars in these seas, having received information he was at sea in a brig. The vessel he commanded proved to be *Le Contre Amiral Magon* French privateer brig, quite new, this being her first cruise, pierced for eighteen, and mounting seventeen guns of different calibres, viz. fourteen long six-pounders, two eighteen-pound caronades, and one long nine-pounder, and manned with eighty-four men, French, Danes, Swedes, and Americans; had been out from Dunkirk eighteen days, and had captured, during his cruise, the ship *Belifarius*, of Newcastle, Matthew Hunter master, on the 3d instant, off Tynemouth; the brig *Scipio*, Richard Robertson master, and the *Content's Increase*, George Bell master, both laden with coals, off Foley Bridge, on the 10th instant; the two former were immediately dispatched for Dunkirk, but the latter was recaptured about two hours after by an English man of war brig; she was proceeding for Dunkirk or Ostend, and had been laying-to for some hours in the evening, waiting for water to cross the Bank, and, I apprehend, little expected to find English-cruisers within the Stroom-Sand. The brigs and cutters in company who have bore up with the *Cruizer* in chase were run out of sight by twelve A. M.

I beg to recommend to your Lordship's notice

PRICE 6d.



Lieutenant J. Pearse, Senior Lieutenant, Lieutenant Lusk, Second, and Mr Lash, Master, with the whole of the warrant and petty officers, seamen, and marines, through whose united exertions this active and enterprising enemy has been prevented making further depredations, which, from his local knowledge of our coasts, added to the ample means he possessed in this brig, from her superior sailing and force, must have been highly detrimental to the trade of this country; nor can I, in justice, omit availing myself of this opportunity to express to your Lordship my thanks to Johannes Whymmer, pilot of the Cruiser, who, on this and all former occasions, by his correct knowledge of the coast and shoals, and zeal for his Majesty's service, has afforded me the more essential confidence and assistance.

I am happy to add, that the masters of the captured vessels, as also their crews, amounting to twenty English seamen, were on board the Contre Amiral Magon at the time of capture, and are now on board the Cruiser.

I have the honour to be, &c.

JOHN HANCOCK.

Admiral Lord Keith, K. B. &c.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ANDREW GIBSON, Manufacturer in Paisley.
FULTON M'KERRELL, merchant, Paisley, trustee on the sequestrated estate of said Andrew Gibson, hereby intimates, that the commissioners have examined his accounts of intromission and disbursement, and audited the same, and declared that no dividend can take place at present. States of the affairs lie open for the inspection of the creditors, or their agents, in the trustee's hands.
Paisley, Oct. 15. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

M'CULLOCH & M'TYER, Shoemakers in Glasgow, and JAMES M'CULLOCH and WILLIAM M'TYER, as Individuals.

THE trustee and commissioners on their sequestrated estates request a meeting of the creditors on Friday the 30th current, at 12 o'clock, in the office of M'Nayr and Elder, writers, Glasgow, for the purpose of fixing periods at less than six months distance for payment of future dividends. The trustee has funds in his hands at present to make a division.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

WALTER BLACKIE, Cooper, Fish Curer, and Porter Dealer in Leith.

THE Court did this day, on the application of the said Walter Blackie, with the concurrence of a creditor to the extent required by law, sequester his whole real and personal estate, in terms of the statute; and appointed his creditors to meet in John's Coffee-house, on Wednesday the 5th of December next, at 12 o'clock noon, to choose an interim factor; and at the same time and place, on Wednesday the 2d of January following, to choose a trustee on the same.
Of which appointments this notice is given to all concerned.
November 23. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

THOMAS SOMMERVILLE, Merchant in Glasgow.

THAT a Meeting shall be held on the 6th of December next, at one o'clock afternoon, in the office of George Smellie, merchant in Glasgow, the trustee, to consider of an offer made by the bankrupt of a certain sum as the value of his furniture, and the outstanding debts still due to the estate, on condition of the creditors discharging their claims, and concurring in an application to the Court to get the sequestration withdrawn.
Edinburgh, Nov. 23. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

JOHN SILVER, Spirit Merchant in Stonehaven.

THE said John Silver having, at the meeting of his creditors which took place yesterday, made offer of a certain composition, on condition of being discharged of his debts, the trustee hereby intimates, that a general meeting of the creditors will be held within the Sheriff-Court house of Stonehaven, on the 11th day of December next, for the purpose of deciding on this offer.
CHAS. MONRO, Trustee.
Stonehaven, Nov. 20. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

SMITH, LAWSON, & COMPANY Manufacturers in Glasgow; and THOMAS SMITH, ARCHIBALD LAWSON, and WILLIAM M'DOWAL, as Individuals.

THE trustee on the sequestrated estates of the said Smith, Lawson, and Company; and Thomas Smith, Archibald Lawson, and William M'Dowal, agreeably to the resolutions of a general meeting of said creditors, held on the 20th November 1804, hereby intimates, that another general meeting will be held within the Black Bull Inn, Glasgow, on Monday the 24th December next, at one o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of deciding on the offer of composition made at last general meeting. Intimation of which is hereby given in terms of the statute.
November 23. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

PETER HYMAN, Dealer in Grain in Newton-upon-Ayr.

THAT, at a Meeting held on the 15th November instant, being the first day after the second examination of the bankrupt, he made offer of a composition of 5s. in the pound, payable at six and nine months from the date of the discharge, with security; and the whole creditors present being satisfied therewith, a Meeting will be held for deciding upon the same on Thursday the 6th day of December next, at twelve o'clock noon, within the house of William Stirling, vintner in Ayr.
Nov. 19. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ANDREW MILLIGAN, Watchmaker and Jeweller in Ayr.

THAT at a meeting held on the 19th day of November instant, being the first day after the second examination of the bankrupt, he made offer of a composition of 6s. in the pound, payable at four, eight, and twelve months from the date of the discharge, with security.

The creditors present appointed another general meeting to be held on Monday the 10th day of December next, at 12 o'clock noon, within the house of William Stirling, vintner in Ayr, for the purpose of taking into consideration and deciding upon said offer.
Edinburgh, Nov. 21. 1804.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

JOHN MILLER, Merchant in Saltcoats.

THAT on 22d November current the said John Miller, and the trustee upon his sequestrated estate, presented a petition to the Court of Session, for having the said John Miller discharged of all debts contracted by him prior to 30th April last, when the sequestration was awarded, on payment of a composition, as agreed to by nine-tenths of the creditors who have appeared in the sequestration—and also for having the trustee exonerated; which petition the Court appointed to be intimated on the walls of the Inner and Outer House for fourteen days, and once in the Edinburgh Gazette; and these intimations being made, the Court is to resume consideration of the petition—which all concerned will attend to.

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