

tion, acceded to by France; terms were now offered to his Majesty more nearly approaching than before to the original basis of negotiation; but these were still far short of what his Majesty had uniformly insisted on, and was now more than ever entitled to expect; and the decisive rejection of the just demands of Russia, as well as of the conditions proposed by his Majesty in behalf of his other allies, left to his Majesty no other course than that of ordering his Admiral to terminate the discussion and return to England.

The foregoing short and simple exposition of facts stands in need of no comment. The first overtures which led to negotiation were made by the enemy, and they were accepted by his Majesty in the sincerest spirit of peace. Every opening which seemed to afford the most distant prospect of accommodation has been anxiously embraced, nor was the negotiation finally broken off, while any hope of a favourable issue could be entertained. His Majesty's demands were uniformly just and reasonable; directed to no objects of personal aggrandizement, but to such only as were indispensably required by the honour of his crown, his engagements to his allies, and a due consideration of the general interests of Europe.

It is with heartfelt concern that his Majesty contemplates the continuance of those evils always inseparable from a state of war; but it is with his enemies that this awful responsibility rests; and for the issue of the contest his Majesty trusts, with confidence, to the justice of his cause; to the resources and bravery of his people; to the fidelity of his allies; and, above all, to the protection and support of the Divine Providence.

In contributing to the great efforts which such a contest must unavoidably require, his faithful and affectionate subjects will not forget that all their dearest interests are at stake; that no sacrifices they can be called upon to make are to be compared with the certain disgrace and ruin of yielding to the injurious pretensions of the enemy; that with the inviolable maintenance of the good faith and public honour of their country, its prosperity, its strength, and its independence, are essentially connected; and that in asserting the rights, and upholding the dignity of the British empire, they defend the most powerful bulwark of the liberties of mankind.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCTOBER 21.

Copy of a letter from the Earl of St Vincent K.B. Admiral and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's fleet, &c. to William Marfden, Esq. dated on board his Majesty's ship the *Hibernia*, off Ushant, the 14th October, 1806.

SIR—I transmit herewith a letter with its inclosures, which I have this day received by the Nile lugger, who conveys this to Plymouth, in pursuance of their Lordships' instructions of the 18th ultimo.—I am, &c.

ST VINCENT.
Tonnant, off Cape Finistere,
October 6, 1806.

MY LORD—Herewith your Lordship will receive copies of two letters from Capt. Collier, of his Majesty's ship the *Minerva*, which mark the continuation of that enterprising spirit which has distinguished the *Minerva*'s officers and ship's company during the whole time she has been under my orders.—I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) ELIAB HARVEY.

The Earl of St Vincent, K. B. Admiral
and Commander in Chief.

His Majesty's ship *Minerva*, at anchor
off Ons, October 2, 1806.

SIR—Reconnoitering the inlet of Pontevedro on the night of the 29th ultimo, in the cutter, I stood in for the Moie of Porto Novo, and cut out two chaffe mares.

On the 11th, the barge, under Lieutenant James, cut off from the Bay of Rocks a Spanish lugger from Aviles.—I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) G. R. COLLIER.

Rear-Admiral Harvey, &c.

His Majesty's Ship *Minerva*, at Anchor off
Ons Island, October 3, 1806.

SIR—To prove in some degree the general correctness of the information which I communicated to you in my letter of yesterday, I proceeded last night in the cutter, with Lieutenant Menzies, of the Marines, followed by the barge, in charge of Lieutenant James, with Mr Holt, Midshipman, and a select party of Marines, to reconnoitre the Bay of Rocks, in the hope of falling in with some of the six gun-boats near Carril.

After a row of seven hours we had the good luck to be hailed by one, (whom we discovered at anchor within pistol shot of the shore, attended by a small gun launch with a brass four-pounder;) she was immediately boarded on the quarter, and carried, as well as her attendant, without the loss of a single man. She proves the Spanish gun-boat, No. 2, commanded by Lieut. Don Jeffe Lopes, mounts a long 24 pound gun in the bow, and two short brass fours; her complement, 30 men, having some foldiers of the regiment Leon on board.

In justice to Lieut. James, I must observe, my only motive for making one in this affair, proceeded from the knowledge I conceived myself possessed of respecting that bay, but it afforded me an opportunity of witnessing his zeal and activity; Lieutenant Menzies, Mr Holt, the Marines, and boats's crews I have so frequently spoken of, that nothing remains for me add, but the conviction how highly they merit every former praise.

I have, &c.

(Signed) G. R. COLLIER.

To Eliab Harvey, Esq. Rear Admiral
of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.

WAR-OFFICE, OCT. 18.
STAFF.

Henry James Reynett, Esq. to be Paymaster of a Recruiting District.

Assistant Commissary Richard Manby to be a Deputy Commissary of Accounts to the Forces.

George Townsend Courtenay, Gent. to be an Assistant Commissary of Stores, Provisions, and Forrage to the Forces.

GARRISON.

Lieutenant Nathan Ashurst, from the 8th Royal Veteran Battalion, to be Town Major of Portsmouth, vice Grant, deceased.

Commissions signed by his Majesty's Lieutenant for the County of Renfrew.

Greenock Volunteer Sharpshooters—Capt. Wm. Macdowall to be Captain Commandant, vice Lee, deceased. Dated September 3, 1806.

Lieut. Thomas Ritchie to be Captain, vice Macdowall, promoted. Dated as above.

Second Lieutenant Archibald Baine to be First Lieutenant, vice Macnaught, resigned. Dated September 10, 1806.

Second Lieutenant William Laird to be ditto vice Ritchie, promoted. Dated as above.

James Park, Gent. to be Second Lieutenant, vice Laird, promoted. Dated as above.

William Galbraith, Gent. to be ditto, vice Baine, promoted. Dated as above.

Renfrewshire Yeomanry Infantry.—Lieut. Wm. Black to be Captain, vice Black, deceased. Dated October 1, 1806.

Ensign James Semple to be Lieutenant, vice Black, promoted. Dated as above.

The Average Price of BROWN or MUSCOVADO
SUGAR,

Computed from the Returns made for the Week
ending 15th October 1806,

Is *Forty-Two Shillings and Nine Pence Three Farthings* per Hundred Weight,

Exclusive of the duties of Customs paid or payable thereon, on the importation thereof into Great Britain.

By authority of Parliament,

THOMAS NETTLESHIPP,

Clerk of the Grocers' Company.

Grocers' Hall, O. & 18. 1806.

BANKRUPTS.

Joseph Hofer, late of Poole, linen draper. Richard Willets and Joseph Jones, Manchester. Lancaster, manufacturer. Richard Willets, Salford; Lancaster, Lancaster, manufacturer. James Lilly, Staley Bridge, Lancaster, cotton spinner. James Knowles, Bodraog, Anglesey, innkeeper. Charles Swain, now or late of Birmingham, Warwick, tobacconist. John Bowler, Bishop's-Wearmouth, Durham, hatter. Simon Metz, late of St Mary Axe, London, merchant. Charles M'Hardy, William Simon, Arrowsmith Middleton, and James Lythgoe, Liverpool. Lancaster, tobacconists. William Furbrick, Gloucester, linen draper. Geo. Blackburne, London, insurance broker. William Clarke, Wapping, Middlesex, butcher. Wm. Barrow Arnold, late of St Mary, Surrey, carver and guildler.

ERRATUM in Gazette of 7th October.

In advertisement, notice to creditors of John Brown, baker in Bridgetown, for Thursday 30th October, as second diet for examination, read *Friday 31st October*, at 12 o'clock noon, within the Sheriff Court-house of Glasgow.—And, for Friday the 31st October, for meeting of the creditors, read *Saturday the 1st November next, at five o'clock afternoon*, in the Star Inn of Glasgow.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ALL persons having claims against DONALD A. URQUHART, Merchant, in Milntown of New Tarbet, are requested immediately to lodge states of their debts, with oaths of verity thereon, with Mr Alexander Taylor, writer in Tain, the trustee, on his sequestrated estate, in order to enable him to pay the first dividend of the stipulated composition.

TAIN, 18th October 1806.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of ALEXANDER FINLAYSON, Cattle Dealer in Westlaws, and JOHN FINLAYSON, Cattle Dealer in Nether Mains of Kinnaird

THE Trustee on the sequestrated estates of the said Alexander and John Finlayson, as partners in company, and as individuals, hereby requests the said creditors to meet in the George Inn, Perth, on Friday the 7th of November next, at 12 o'clock noon, to decide upon some matters of importance which will then be laid before them.