

SIR,

In my letter of the 12th instant, by the Alpheia, I informed you that application had been made for a ship to carry to England Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Council of Seville, to treat with his Majesty's ministers on such matters as are important to the interests of both countries. The Admiral who commands in the port of Cadiz being one of the deputed, they did not choose he should depart until the surrender of the French ships, which took place this morning.

The Spaniards having constructed an additional battery of thirty heavy guns, and numerous gun and bomb-vessels having taken their stations, the French ships struck their colours at seven o'clock this morning, and soon after the Spanish were hoisted on board them. The French ships, I understand, are not at all injured, as the Spaniards wanted them for their own use; nor has there been much loss of men on either side.

The Governor some days since (and before I came here) requested of Major-General Spencer to proceed to Ayamante, to oppose a detachment of the French army, which was said to be marching from Portugal by the coast; and yesterday the transports proceeded, under the protection of the Zealous, to that quarter, where the Windsor Castle had conducted a detachment the day before.

June 15.

The Governor of Cadiz has notified to me, that the commissioners will be ready to embark in two days. As the Revenge has been stationed near the town, where Sir John Gore has had much intercourse with the governor and chiefs in command during the late operations, and witnessed the temper and dispositions of the people, I have ordered that ship to receive them, that he may give to his Majesty's ministers the information they may desire of what has come within his observation as to the present state of this part of Spain.

Application has been made to me this evening by the Supreme Council at Seville and the Governor of Cadiz, to give a passport to a Spanish frigate and four dispatch vessels, to carry to the several governments and presidencies in the West Indies, information of the events which have happened in Spain, and their instructions to the governors; and also that a sloop of war may take out officers to that country, whose presence there is important; this they urge in preference to their going in a Spanish vessel, as it will convey a proof of their connexion with Great Britain.

I have the honour to be, &amp;c

(Signed) COLLINGWOOD.

Extract of a Letter from Sir CHARLES COTTON, Bart.

Admiral of the Blue, &c. to the Hon. WILLIAM WELLSLEY POLE, dated on board his Majesty's Ship the Hibernia, off the Tagus, the 22d June 1808.

SIR,

Inclosed I transmit, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the copy of a letter received by me from Captain Creyke, of his Majesty's sloop Eclipse, detailing the state of Affairs at Oporto.

I have the honour to be, &amp;c.

C. COTTON.

His Majesty's Sloop Eclipse, off the Bar of Oporto, June 20, 1808.

SIR,

Since the account I had the honour of delivering to you on the 10th June, Oporto has undergone two revolutions, and has been succes-

sively in the hands of the French and the subjects of the Prince Regent.

After the Spaniards had delivered the forts into the custody of the Portuguese, and the national colours were everywhere hoisted, the French were again able to establish their authority, in consequence of the weak and undetermined measures of the governor, Louis D'Oliveira, who is now confined as a traitor, and maintained it till the 16th, the day of Corpus Christi, a great national festival, when it had been usual for the Portuguese regiments to attend with colours flying. The Governor D'Oliveira, in consequence of orders from Junot, attempted to establish the French flag instead of the Portuguese at the procession. This violent attack on the national custom, drew forth the murmurs of the populace to so great a degree, that an attempt to compromise on the part of the governor had no effect; and on the 18th, in the evening, the day before my arrival here, they were excited to such a degree of fury, that, countenanced by the priests, the people rose in masse, broke open the depots, and supplied themselves with twenty-five thousand stand of arms, and, together with the regulars, formed a most determined and enthusiastic army. From this moment all French authority ceased; and every man, either French, or suspected of being inclined to the French interest, was arrested.

The bishop of Oporto was elected as the new governor, and an army of twenty thousand men sent to meet the French, who had advanced to the amount of nine hundred within six leagues of Oporto.

The enthusiasm has communicated from one to the other, and the Portuguese provinces of Tralos, Montes, Minho, and the northern part of Beira, in imitation of the Spaniards, had risen in arms, determined to extirpate the French from their kingdom. From the most moderate accounts, besides what are at Oporto, I may estimate them at upwards of one hundred thousand men.

All the regular regiments disbanded by the French are forming again with the greatest alacrity, and will soon join them. I have this day had an interview with his excellency the Governor, conducted to him amidst the shouts and huzzahs of the populace.

To-morrow I send a party of men to mount the guns of a large Brazil ship, the command of which is given to an Englishman, and destined as a floating battery to defend the bridge, in case the French should have the temerity to approach, though such an event is not to be apprehended. If any requisition is made for powder, I shall comply with it; but they have at present abundance of arms, ammunition, and provisions.

The detestation of the Portuguese to the French is so great, that Captain Jones and myself, after having begged the life of the French intendant of police, had the greatest difficulty in conveying him a prisoner to the boat, and the unbounded love and respect for the English alone prevented the enraged populace from tearing him to pieces.

I have the honour to be, &amp;c.

(Signed) G. A. CREYKE.

Admiral Sir Charles Cotton, Bart. Commander in Chief, &c.

WHITEHALL, JULY 16, 1808.

The King has been pleased to nominate, present, and appoint Dr Andrew Grant to be First

Minister of the Canongate Church, in the presbytery and county of Edinburgh, void by the death of Mr Robert Walker.

**THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN or MUSCOVADO SUGAR,**

Computed from the Returns made in the Week ending the 13th day of July 1808,

Is *Thirty-nine Shillings and Six Pence Farthing* per Hundred Weight,

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

**INTIMATION**

TO THE CREDITORS OF

The deceased JAMES M'VICCAR AFFLECK of Edinghame, in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, and also of Edinghame, in the Parish of St Thomas, in the East County of Surrey, and Island of Jamaica, Esq.

IN the process of Ranking and Sale of the above-mentioned estate of Edinghame, in the stewartry of Kirkcudbright, brought at the instance of Mrs. Grizel Mitchell, otherwise Ketchan, spouse of John Ketchan, senior, formerly residing at Edinghame, now grocer in the Grassmarket of Edinburgh, and Janet Mitchell, otherwise Ketchan, spouse of John Ketchan, junior, formerly residing at Dalbeaty, now also grocer in the Grassmarket of Edinburgh, nieces and apparent heirs of the said deceased James M'Vicar Affleck, and the said John Ketchan, senior, and John Ketchan, junior, their husbands, for their respective interests, the Lord Ordinary, by interlocutor dated the 1st day of July current, ordained the whole Creditors to produce their claims, rights, and diligences in the Clerk's hands betwixt and the 12th day of November next, with certification; and appointed intimation thereof to be made in the Edinburgh Gazette, in terms of the Act of Sederunt.

Edinburgh, July 19, 1808.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ANDREW LAWRIE, Baker in Edinburgh.

UPON the application of the said Andrew Lawrie, with the concurrence of Creditors to the extent required by law, the Lord Ordinary on the bills, upon the 16th day of July current, sequestrated the whole estate and effects, heritable and moveable, real and personal, of the said Andrew Lawrie, and appointed his Creditors to meet within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, on Monday the 25th day of July current, at 2 o'clock afternoon; for the purpose of naming an Interim Factor upon the sequestrated estate; and granted commission to the Sheriff-depute of Edinburgh, or his substitute, or to any resident Magistrate of Edinburgh or Leith, or any Justice of the Peace of the county, to attend the said meeting, in terms of the Statute; and also appointed the Creditors to meet, at the same place and hour, on Wednesday the 24th of August next, for the purpose of choosing a Trustee, Of all which this notice is given, in terms of the Statute.

**NOTICE**

TO THE CREDITORS OF

NATHAN LINTON, Merchant, Langholm.

UPON the application of the said Nathan Linton, with concurrence of a Creditor to the extent required by law, Lord CULLEN, Ordinary on the bills, of this date, sequestrated his whole estates, heritable and moveable, real and personal, and appointed his Creditors to meet in the house of David Jardine, vintner in Langholm, upon Wednesday the 27th current, at 12 o'clock noon, to name an Interim Factor; and upon Thursday the 25th August next, at same place and hour, to elect a Trustee on said estates. Of which this notice is given to all concerned.

Edinburgh, July 16, 1808.

**NOTICE**

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ROBERT BRYDIE, Merchant in Edinburgh.

JOHN MURRAY, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of the said Robert Brydie, hereby requests a general meeting of the Creditors, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 3d of August next, at 1 o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of instructing him in business of importance to the bankrupt estate.