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ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, DECEMBER 17, 1808.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Sir EDWARD PELLEW, Bart., Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies, to the Honourable WILLIAM WELLESLEY Pole, dated on board his Majesty's Ship Culloden, in Bombay Harbour, the 7th of April 1808.

I request you will submit to the Right Ho-nourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the inclosed letter from Lieutenant William Dawson, acting in the command of his Majesty's ship St. Fiorenzo, stating the particulars of the capture of La Piedmontaise French frigate, mounting fifty guns, on the 8th ultimo, in the Gulph of Manaar.

In making this communication to their Lord-ships T am desirous of expressing those mingled sentiments of admiration and concern which I experience in the loss of Captain George Nicholas Hardinge, who fell in the moment of victory, after having exerted, during three succesive days, the most remarkable zeal, gallantry, and judgment in the conduct of this very brilliant action. His Majesty's service has been thus deprived of a most excellent and distinguished officer; of whom the highest expectations have been justly formed, from a knowledge of his

many great and excellent qualities.

The merit of Lieutenant William Dawson, upon whom the command devolved after the death of Captain Hardinge, is already well known to the board by his gallant behaviour on a former occasion, when he was severely wounded at the capture of the Psyche frigate by the St. Fiorenzo, in which nearly the whole of her present officers and crew had the honour to

The manner in which he continued the ac-

tion, which had been so nearly concluded by his lamented captain, and finally conducted it to a successful issue, will, doubtless, secure to him the high approbation and recompence of their Lordships.

The undaunted bravery, the animated and persevering exertions of every officer, seaman, and marine on board the St. Fiorenzo, have been truly worthy of the beloved country in whose cause they have been so nobly engaged; the public gratitude will be commensurate with their eminent services.

I learn that the St. Fiorenzo had arrived with her prize in safety at Colombo; from whence she may shortly be expected at this port.

I have the honour to be, &c. EDWARD PELLEW.

His Majesty's Ship St. Fiorenzo, at Sea,
9th March 1808.

It is with great regret I have to inform you
of the death of Captain Hardinge, late of his
Majesty's ship St. Fiorenzo, who fell gloriously in the early part of an action on the 8th instant between his Majesty's ship St. Fiorenzo and the French national frigate La Piedmon-

The St. Fiorenzo sailed from Point de Galle on Friday the 4th instant at half past eleven A. M. On the 6th, at seven A. M. passed three Indiamen, and, shortly after, saw a frigate bearing N. E. We immediately hauled our wind ing N. E. in chase, and made all sail, being at that time in latitude 7° 32' longitude 77° 58'. We made the private signal, which was not answered; and at five shewed our colours, which the enemy took no notice of. At forty minutes past eleven P. M. we ranged alongside of him on the larboard tack and received his broadside. After engaging till fifty minutes past eleven P. M. within a cable's length, the enemy made sail a-head, out of the range of our shot; we

ceased firing, and made all sail after him; continuing to come up with him till daylight, when finding he could not avoid an action, he wore, as did we also. At twenty-five minutes past six recommenced the action at the distance of half a mile, gradually closing with him to a quarter of a mile. The fire was constant, and well directed on both sides, though that of the enemy slackened towards the latter part of the action. At a quarter past eight P. M. the enemy made all sail away; our main-topsail-yard being shot through, the main royal-mast, and both main-topmast-stays, the mainspringstay, and most of the standing and running rigging, and all our sails shot to pieces, and most of our cartridges fired away, (as our guns were directed at his hull he was not much disabled about his rigging), we ceased firing, and em-ployed all hands in repairing the damages sustained, and fitting the ship again for action.
From the great injury our masts, yards, and sails had received, I am sorry to observe that it was not in our power to chase to renew the action immediately; we, however, succeeded in keeping sight of him during the night; and at nine A. M. on the 8th, the ship being perfectly prepared for action, we bore down upon the enemy under all sail; he did not endeavour to avoid us till we hauled athwart his stern, for the purpose of gaining the weather gage, and bringing him to close fight, when he hauled up also, and made all sail; but perceiving that we came fast up with him, and that an action was inevitable, he tacked, and at three we passed each other on opposite tacks, and recommenced action within a quarter of a cable's length. With grief I have to observe that our brave captain was killed by a grape-shoe the second broadside. When the enemy was abaft our beam he wore, and, after an hour and twenty minutes close action, struck their colours, and waved their

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hats for a boat to be sent them. She proved to be La Piedmontaise, commanded by Mons. Epron, Capitaine du Vaisseaux; she mounts fifty guns, long eighteen-pounders on her main deck, and thirty-six-pounder carronades on her quarter deck. She had three hundred and sixty-six Frenchman on board, and nearly two hundred lascars, who worked their sails. She sailed from the isle of France on the 30th December. In the action she had forty-eight killed and one hundred and twelve wounded. The St. Fiorenzo has thirteen killed and twenty-five wounded; most of the latter are in a most promising A list of them I have the honour to inclose for your information. The enemy was cut to pieces in his masts, bowsprit, and rigging; and they all went by the board during the night.

It is now a pleasing part of my duty to re-commend to your particular notice the cool, steady, and gallant conduct of Lieutenants Edward Davies and Henry George Moysey; the latter, I am sorry to add, was severely wounded about ten minutes before the enemy struck. I about ten minutes before the chemy struck. I also experienced very great assistance from Mr. Donovan, the master, by the judicious and seaman-like manner in which he laid us close along-side the enemy. To Lieutenant Samuel Ashmore, of the royal marines, I am much indebted, for the cool and determined courage evinced by him through the whole action. Indeed every officer, petty officer, seaman, and marine in the ship behaved in the most brave and gallant manner, and nobly maintained the pre-eminence of the British flag. In the first boat from the prize came Mr. W. F. Black, assistant-surgeon of his Majesty's 86th regiment, captured by the Picdmontaise on his passage to Madras, who

rendered the surgeon great assistance.

I am also much indebted to the officers of the army, and the captains and officers of the country ships, who were prisoners on board the enemy, for the great assistance they afforded us with their lascars in creeting jury masts, and working the ship into port, as from our weak state, and the great number of prisoners on board us, we could spare but few hands from our own ship to send on board the prize.

I have the honour to be, &c. WILLIAM DAWSON.

To Sir Edward Pellew, Bart., Rear-Admiral of the Red, and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies.

List of Officers, Seamen, and Marines killed and wounded on board his Majesty's Ship St Fiorenso, in action with La Piedmontalise, French National Frigate, on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of March 1808.

Wounded on the 6th—William Pitt, seaman, slightly;

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Killed on the 7th—Thomas Martin, seamen; Charles Smallwood, ditto; Robert Currell, ditto; John Middleton, ditto; William Mead, supernumerary seaman; William Martin, marine; John Luff, ditto; Joseph Litchfield, ditto

Wounded on the 7th—John Mandauer.

Litchfield, ditto

Wounded on the 7th—John Meadows, scaman, dangerously, since dead; William Baldwin, seaman, lost a leg, since dead; George Byng, scaman, severely; John Finch, seaman, ditto; Francis Jackman, seaman, ditto; Walter Boze seaman, ditto; William Long, seaman, ditto; John Acton, seaman, lost two arms; Philip Ulrick, seaman, severely; William Wakefield, seaman, lost an arm; Richard Lock, seaman, slightly; William John Brown, quartermaster, ditto; John Ellier, seaman, ditto; Benjamin Pool, marine, ditto.

Killed on the 8th—George Nicholas Hardinge, Esq. Captain; John Bear, seaman; John Burn, ditto; Evan Jones, marine.

Jones, marine.

Wounded on the 8th—Henry George Moysey, lieutenant, severely; I homas Gadsby, carpenter's-mate, ditto; Thomas Clerk, seaman, dangerously; John Mac-

ewen, corporal of marines, ditto; Charles Richards, marine, lost an arm; William Pope, marine, dangerously, since déad; Henry Thorn, boatswain's-mate, slightly; William Davis, seaman, ditto; George Anger,

DOWNING-STREET, DECEMBER 20, 1808.

His Majesty was pleased, by a commission bearing date, the 11th of February last, to ap point Lieutenant-General Sir John Stuart, K. B. to be commander of his Majesty's forces in the Mediterranean (the garrison of Gibralter excepted.)

CROWN-OFFICE, DECEMBER 20, 1808. Member returned to serve in the present Parliament.

Borough of Bossinney-The Right Hon. John Otroom of Lord Rendlesham, deceased.

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN or MUS-COVADO SUGAR,

Computed from the Returns made in the Week ending the 21st day of December 1808, Is Forty-nine Shillings and Eight Pense per Hundred Weight,

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

BANKRUPTS.

(From the London Gazette.)

William Wilkes, of Birmingham, Warwick, maltster. George Jones, of Liverpool, Lancaster, bookseller and

Stationer.

Jarrard John Howard, of Lower Eaton Street, Pimlico,
Middlesex, surgeon and apothecary.

James Green, now or late of Margaret Street, Hackney,
Middlesex, builder and bricklayer.

William Wells, late of Linney Place. Queen Street,
parish of St. George, Bloomsbury, Middlesex, working-jeweller.

Jonathan Crawford, of Charles Square, Hoxton, Mid-

dlesex, money-scrivener.

Martin Freuch, of George Street, Portman Square, Middlesex, wine-merchant.

William Chambers, late of Lincoln, currier.

William Hayes, of Kilburn, Middlesex, brick-maker.

James Mausall, George Burkinshaw, and John Fielding, of Sheffield, York, saw and eductool-manufacturers. George Laing, late of London, merchant.

Buckrupteies Superseded.
Robert Thomson, of Breneepeth Parks, Durham, dealer.
Robert Parsons, late of the parish of Lyncombe and

Widcombe, Somerset, grocer. hn Whitehead, of Kingston-upon-Hull, grocer and tallow-chandler.

MICHAEL BEATTIE, Merchant in Langholm.

A ECHIBALD SCOT, Writer in Langholm, True LCHIBALD SCOT, Writer in Langholm, Trus-Langholm, On Saturday, the 7th day of January next, at 12 O'clock noon, for the purpose of deciding upon said offer.

December 20, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM JAFFRAY, Grain-dealer in Glasgow.

A T the meeting of the Creditors of William Jaffray, grain-dealer in Glasgow, held this day for the purpose of deciding on an offer of composition, the meeting delayed deciding finally thereon, till Saturday next the 31st instant, on which day they appointed another meeting to be held within the Tontine Tayern, Glasgow, at 1 o'clock afternoon. Of which adjourned meeting notice is hereby given to all concerned.

Glasgow, December 24, 1308.

NOTICE JOHN BUCHANAN, Cotton-spinner and Merchant in Paisley.

In Passey.

In Pas N consequence of an application by the said John

TO THE CREDITORS OF
ALLAN MORISON & CO. Woollen Manufacturers
at Innermessan, and of Allan Morison, James MacBryde, and Thomas McMicking, Partners of said
Company, as Individuals.

Company, as Individuals.

UPON the application of the said Allan Morison & Co., and of the said Allan Morison, James M'Bryde, and Thomas M'Micking, with the requisite concurrence, the Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills, of this date, sequestrated their whole estates, real and personal, both as a company and as individuals, and appointed their Creditors to meet within the house of Mrs. Taylor, innkeeper in Stranraer, upon Wednesday the 4th of January next, at 12 o'clock noon, to name a Factor; and at the same place and hour on Wednesday the 28th of same month, to choose a Trustee.

Rdinburgh, December 26, 1808.

Edinburgh, December 26, 1808.

NOTICE

JAMES JONES & SON, Ropemakers in Leith.

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UPON application of the said James Jones & Son, and of James Jones and Thomas Jones, the individual partners of that company, with concurrence of Creditors to the extent required by law, the Court of Session, of this date, sequestrated the whole estates, real and personal, belonging to them; as a company, and as individuals, and appointed their Creditors to meet within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 4th day of January next, at 1 o'clock afternon, to name an Interim Factor; and at the same place and hour, on Wednesday the 1st day of February next, to name a Truste. Of all which intimation is hereby given, in terms of the Statute.

Edinburgh, December 24, 1808.

JOHN M'DONALD, Wright in Dunfermline.

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A'T a meeting of the Creditors of the said John Mac-Donald, held upon the 23d day of December current, being the first day after his second examination, he made offer to pay to his Creditors a composition of 10s, per pound, upon their whole debts, by equal instalments, at three and six months; and the Creditors present being of opinion that this offer was reasonable, and ought to be taken into consideration, they appointed another meeting of the Creditors to be held within the house of Daniel M'Lellan, vintner in Dunfermline, upon Friday the 13th day of January next, at 1 o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of deciding upon the offer. Of all which the Trustee hereby gives notice to those concerned.

TO THE CREDITORS OF NATHAN LINTON, Merchant in Langholm.

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A RCHIBALD SCOT, Writer in Langholm, Trustae on the sequestratrated estate of the said Nathan Linton, hereby intimates, that at a meeting of said Creditors, held upon the 16th day of December current, an offer of a composition of 12s. 6d. a-pound was made by the bankrupt, payable by three instalments, with caution; or of 13s. 6d. a-pound, payable as aforesaid, with caution for 10s. a-pound, and without caution for 3s. 6d. a-pound; which offer the meeting thought reasonable, and appointed another meeting of the said Creditors to be held within the house of Mrs Jardine, innkeeper in Langholm, on Monday the 11th day of January next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of deciding upon said offers.

December 20, 1808.

ANDREW GALLOWAY, Wright in Kirkintilloch.

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A Ta meeting of the Creditors of the said Andrew Galloway, held upon the 1st day of December last, James Anderson, merchant in Glasgow, was chosen Trustee, and his appoinment has since been confirmed by the Court of Session; and, upon application of the Trustee, the Sheriff of Lanarkshire has fixed Thursday the 5th, and Thursday the 19th January next, at 2 o'clock afternoon, in the Sheriff-court-house of Dumharton, for the public examinations of the bankrupt. Of which intimation is hereby given to all concerned.

The Trustee further intimates, that a general meeting of the said Creditors will be held within Mr Macnicol's Tavern, Dumbarton, upon Friday the 20th of January next, at 11 o'clock forenoon, to choose Commissioners, and instruct the Trustee as to the management and recovery of the estate. And he further requires the whole foresaid Creditors to lodge in his hands their claims and grounds of debt, with oaths of verity thereon, at or previous to the said meeting; with certification, that such of the said Creditors as shall fail to make such production betwixt and the 26th August next, being ten months from the date of sequestration, will receive no share in the first distribution of the bankrupt estate.

December 27, 1808. bankrupt estate.

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NOTICE

To THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM & ALEXANDER M'TURK, Cattledealers in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

Ta general meeting of the Creditors of the said William and Alexander M'Turk, held at Muir's Inn, New Galloway, upon the 17th December current, a proposal of composition was made, to the satisfaction of nine-tenths, both in number and value, assembled. The Trustee therefore appointed another meeting to be held, at same place, upon Saturday 7th January next, at mid-day, to decide upon said offer, and the cautioners to be produced therefor.

December 19, 1808.

UF CREDITORS OF WILLIAM STEEL, Horse-dealer at Lambroughton.

WILLIAM STEEL, Horse-dealer at Lambroughton.

UPON the application of a Creditor to the extent required by law, the Lord Cullen, Ordinary on the Bills, on the 26th current, sequestrated the whole estates, heritable and moveable, real and personal, of the said William Steel, and appointed his Creditors to meet within the house of John Begbie, vintner in Kilmarnock, upon Friday the 6th day of January next, at 12 o'clock noon, to name an interim Factor; and to meet at same place and hour upon Friday the 3d day of February next, for the purpose of choosing a Trustee. Of which intimation is hereby given to all concerned.

NOTICE

JAMES ANDERSON, Flesher and Innkeeper in Irvine.

THE Court of Session, on the application of the said.

I James Anderson, with concurrence of one of his Creditors, have sequestrated his whole estate, real and personal, and appointed his Creditors to meet within his house at Irvine, on Monday the 2d day of January next, at 12 o'clock noon, in order to choose an Interim-Factor; and again to meet within said house, on Monday the 30th of January, at 12 o'clock noon, in order to choose a Trustee. Of which notice is hereby given.

Edinburgh. December 26, 1808.

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NOTICE is hereby given to the Creditors of JOHN HAY, late Merchant, and Spirit-dealer in Edinburgh, that he, with the concurrence of Alexander Grant, writer in Edinburgh, Trustee on his sequestrated estate, and of his Creditors in number and value required by law, has applied to the Court of Session for a discharge of all debts contracted by him prior to the 15th day of April 1806, being the date of his sequestration; which the Court, of this date, ordered to be intimated; and which is accordingly hereby intimated.

Edinburgh, December 21, 1808.

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NOTICE

DAVID HUME, Baker and Corn-merchant in Perth. DAVID HUME, Baker and Corn-merchant in Perth.

JOHN SCOTT, junior, confectioner in Perth, hereby
intimates, that his appointment as Trustee on the
sequestrated estate of the said David Hume has been
confirmed by the Court of Session, and the Sheriff of
Perthshire has fixed Tuesday the 9th, and Tuesday the
23d of January next, at 12 o'clock noon each day, within the Sheriff-court-room of Perth, for the public examination of the bankrupt, and others connected with
his business; and that a meeting of the Creditors of
the said David Hume is to be held in the Salutation Inn,
Perth, on Wednesday the 24th of January next, at 12
o'clock noon, for the purpose of instructing the Trustee
in the management and recovery of the estate; and the
Creditors are required to lodge with him their claims
and grounds of debt, with oaths of verity thereon; with
certification, that unless such are lodged betwixt and
the 21st of August next, the Creditors neglecting will
have no share in the first distribution of the bankrupt's
effects.

Perth. December 22, 1808

effects. Perth, December 23, 1808.

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Bridge Street, Merchant.

Glargorv—Thomas Hamilton, Esq. Merchant.

Aberdeen—Mr John Sim, James's Street.

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