

Admiralty-Office, September 27, 1777.  
**T**HE following Letter from Lieutenant Bazely, Commander of His Majesty's Cutter The Alert, to Mr. Stephens, was this Day received.

Plymouth, September 24, 1777.

S I R,  
**I** HAVE the Pleasure to acquaint you of my Arrival here, having met with the Lexington Brig, armed by the American Congress, with 16 Four-pounders, 12 Swivels, and 84 Men, commanded by Henry Johnston, (late Master of the Yankee Privateer, who made his Escape from the Mars at Blackstakes in September 1776) which I took the 19th Instant, W. L. S. 14 Leagues from Ushant, Two Days from Morlaix, bound to Boston with Dispatches for the Congress, which were thrown overboard.

I gave Chace at Five in the Morning, and came up with him at Half past Seven, had a close Engagement till Ten, when he bore up and made Sail. As soon as I got my Rigging to rights, again gave Chace, and came up with him at Half past One, renewed the Action till Half past Two, when he struck. I have been so fortunate as to have had only 2 Men killed and 3 wounded, 1 of which is since dead, with my Mast, Rigging, and Sails much cut and damaged.

The Loss on the Rebels Side is 7 Men killed and 10 wounded: In the former are the Master and Lieutenant of Marines; in the latter the First Lieutenant and Gunner; with her Rigging, Mast and Sails, much damaged.

It blowing strong Easterly the Night of the 20th, with a large Swell and thick Weather, I parted Company; but am in Expectation of her Arrival in this Port every Hour.

I am to beg you will acquaint their Lordships with the very gallant Behaviour of my Officers and People on this Occasion.

I am, Sir,  
 Your very humble Servant,  
 John Bazely.

N. B. The Lexington arrived in the Downes the 25th Instant, and is put into Dover to repair her Damages.

The Alert had 10 Carriage Guns, Four-Pounders, 10 Swivels, and 60 Men.

St. Ildelphonso, September 11. Her Royal Highness the Princess of Asturias was this Morning happily delivered of a Princess.

Vienna, September 13. Advice has been received of the happy Delivery of the Archduchess of Parma of a Princess; and there will be a Gala at Schonbrun Tomorrow on the Occasion.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, St. James's,  
 June 17, 1777.

**W**HEREAS it is supposed that several Persons who have heretofore been appointed Gentlemen of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Chamber in Ordinary, may, in Course of Time, be dead, or removed from their Places of Residence: That it may appear to the Lord Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household who of them are remaining alive, his Lordship is pleased to direct, that all such do, on or before the 30th Day of October, 1777, transmit to Whithed Keene, Esq; at the Lord Chamberlain's-Office, St. James's, an Account of their present Places of Residence.

**AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,**  
 From September 15, to September 20, 1777.  
 By the Standard WINCHESTER Bushel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
London,	6	1	3	3	2	7	1	10	3	9
<b>COUNTIES INLAND.</b>										
Middlesex,	6	3	3	4	2	10	2	3	3	10
Surry,	6	5	3	9	4	4	2	3	4	4
Hertford,	6	2	—	—	—	—	2	3	4	0
Bedford,	5	8	3	8	2	8	2	1	3	7
Cambridge,	5	5	3	2	—	—	1	7	2	10
Huntingdon,	5	5	—	—	2	8	1	11	3	5
Northampton,	6	5	3	6	3	2	2	1	3	8
Rutland,	5	9	—	—	3	3	2	2	—	—
Leicester,	6	5	3	3	3	2	2	3	4	4
Nottingham,	5	7	3	7	2	6	2	1	4	0
Derby,	6	10	—	—	—	—	2	6	4	6
Stafford,	6	5	—	—	2	9	2	5	4	7
Salop,	6	7	4	2	3	2	2	4	—	—
Hereford,	5	11	—	—	3	0	2	2	—	—
Worcester,	6	4	3	5	3	3	2	5	4	8
Warwick,	6	6	—	—	—	—	2	7	3	11
Gloucester,	6	11	—	—	2	7	2	3	3	10
Wilt,	6	9	4	10	3	0	2	2	4	1
Berk,	6	4	4	4	2	7	2	3	3	7
Oxford,	6	3	—	—	2	7	2	2	3	7
Bucks,	6	2	—	—	3	0	2	3	4	0
<b>COUNTIES upon the COAST.</b>										
Essex,	5	11	—	—	2	5	2	1	3	4
Suffolk,	5	9	2	10	2	4	1	11	3	1
Norfolk,	5	8	2	11	2	3	1	9	—	—
Lincoln,	5	6	3	8	2	7	1	10	3	7
York,	5	9	3	10	—	—	2	0	4	0
Durham,	5	9	3	11	—	—	2	2	3	10
Northumberland,	5	7	3	3	2	4	1	9	3	4
Cumberland,	6	1	3	3	2	4	2	1	3	6
Westmorland,	6	7	3	9	2	7	2	1	—	—
Lancashire,	6	5	—	—	2	9	2	2	4	1
Cheshire,	6	1	3	8	3	3	2	1	—	—
Mercheshire,	6	2	—	—	3	7	2	2	—	—
Somerset,	6	5	3	8	2	8	1	11	3	11
Devon,	6	5	—	—	2	10	1	6	—	—
Cornwall,	6	1	—	—	2	11	1	5	—	—
Dorset,	6	5	—	—	2	9	2	0	3	8
Hampshire,	6	1	—	—	2	5	2	1	3	8
Suffex,	6	0	—	—	2	4	2	1	3	4
Kent,	6	6	—	—	2	5	2	1	3	3

From September 8, to September 13, 1777.

<b>W A L E S.</b>										
North Wales,	6	5	4	8	3	3	1	11	3	6
South Wales,	6	8	5	5	3	9	1	10	3	9

<b>Part of S C O T L A N D.</b>										
Wheat.	4	8	—	—	1	10	1	8	2	2
Rye.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Barley.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beans.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Big.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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St. James's, September 23, 1777.

**W**HEREAS it has been humbly represented to the King, That on Tuesday Evening last a most horrid Murder was committed on the Body of Isaac Layton, then being an Assistant to William Spence, one of the Officers of the Customs, in the Execution of his Duty in seizing and securing a large Quantity of Tea from a Gang of Smugglers, assembled near Wimbledon Common in the County of Surry; one of which said Smugglers was wounded by a Cutlass in his Right Arm: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the said Murder, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, who shall discover any Two or more of his Accomplices, so that they may be apprehended and convicted thereof,—except the Person who gave the Wounds which were the Cause of said Layton's Death.

W E Y M O U T H.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the Commissioners