

William Walker, Gentleman.  
Donald Mac Lean, Gentleman.  
Alexander Campbell, Gentleman.

John M'Kinson (Clerk) to be Chaplain.  
John Russell, Gentleman, to be Adjutant.  
Neil Campbell, Gentleman, to be Quarter-Master.  
Surgeon James Wood to be Surgeon.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 22d of *April*,  
1778,

P R E S E N T,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation, bearing Date the 25th Day of October 1776, to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Five Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Two Pounds Ten Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, fit for His Majesty's Service, should be paid in the Manner thereby directed, to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the 31st of December then following, enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders as should be employed for raising Men for the Service of the Royal Navy. And whereas His Majesty was also pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the 8th Day of November, 1776, to promise and declare, That a Reward of Two Pounds for every Able, and Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid in the Manner thereby directed, to any Person who should discover any Seaman or Seamen, who might secrete themselves, that so such Seaman or Seamen should be taken for His Majesty's said Service, by any of His Majesty's Sea-Officers employed for raising Men, on or before the 31st Day of December, 1776. And whereas His Majesty was likewise pleased, by His Royal Proclamation, bearing Date the 15th Day of August last, to promise and declare, That every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, who should voluntarily enter himself to serve on Board any of His Majesty's Ships, on or before the 31st Day of October then next, should receive as of His Majesty's Royal Bounty, the Sum of Thirty Shillings each Man, to be paid in Manner thereby directed. And whereas the Time limited by the said Proclamations, for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards, hath been prolonged and extended to the 30th Day of this instant April; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service that the said Bounties and Rewards should be continued to be paid for some Time longer; His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy-Council, doth therefore order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, that the Time limited for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards be prolonged and extended from the said 30th Day of this instant April to the 30th Day of June next, inclusive. — Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

*Steph. Coriell.*

*St. James's, March 26, 1778.*

THE King has been pleased to direct, That, for the Future, the Captain-Lieutenants of Militia shall bear the Rank of Captain, and that all Captain-Lieutenants of Militia shall take the Rank as Captains on all Occasions from the Date hereof, or from the Dates of such Commissions of Captain-Lieutenant as His Majesty's Lieutenants of Counties may hereafter give.

WEYMOUTH.

*St. James's, March 21.*

IT is His Majesty's Pleasure, That all Officers belonging to Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry, now serving in Ireland, except such as are employed on the Recruiting Service, do join their respective Corps without Delay; and

it is His Majesty's further Pleasure, That all Officers belonging to any of the Garrisons in Ireland do repair to their respective Posts without Delay.

WEYMOUTH.

*War-Office, March 21.*

IT is His Majesty's Pleasure, That all Officers belonging to Regiments on the British Establishment, except such as are employed on the Recruiting Service, shall repair to their respective Posts without Delay.

By His Majesty's Command,  
BARRINGTON.

*War-Office, March 28, 1778.*

WHEREAS it has been represented to the King, That there are at this Time several Deserters from the different Corps in His Majesty's Land Service, who might be induced to return to their Duty by an Offer of His Majesty's gracious Pardon; and that such an Instance of His Royal Clemency would have due Influence upon their future Behaviour: His Majesty is pleased to grant His Free Pardon to all Deserters from His Land Forces, who shall surrender themselves before the 11th Day of May next, either to the Regiments to which they belong, or to some other Corps in His Majesty's Service, or to any Additional Company or Recruiting Party in Great Britain or Ireland.

Such Deserters, if able-bodied Men and fit for Service, shall be attested in the Corps to which they surrender, and not be liable to be claimed by any other Corps to which they may have formerly belonged.

And whereas many of the said Deserters may have enlisted in other Corps, and are now serving therein: His Majesty is graciously pleased to extend to such Deserters the Benefit of this Pardon; and to direct that they shall continue to serve in the Corps wherein they now are, and not be claimed by that in which they formerly served.

And whereas several of the said Deserters have been apprehended, and are now in Goal, or in Regimental Custody: His Majesty is likewise pleased to grant to them His Free Pardon, of which they are to have the Benefit, upon their Arrival at their respective Regiments, or upon their being enlisted by some other Corps or Recruiting Party.

Any Soldier who may desert, after these His Majesty's most gracious Intentions are made public, shall not be included in the above Pardon, but be proceeded against with the utmost Severity.

By His Majesty's Command,  
BARRINGTON.

*Admiralty-Office, May 5, 1778.*

WHEREAS it has been represented to my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that there are at this Time several Deserters from the different Divisions of His Majesty's Marine Forces, who might be induced to return to their Duty by an Offer of Pardon, and that such Instance of Clemency would have due Influence on their future Behaviour: Their Lordships, in order to encourage them to return to their Duty, and to remove their Apprehensions of the Punishment due to their Crime, do hereby give Notice, That such of the said Deserters as shall surrender themselves at any of the aforesaid Divisions at Portsmouth, Plymouth, or Chatham, or to any Recruiting Party of the Marines in Great Britain or Ireland, before the 30th Day of June next, will receive His Majesty's Free Pardon.

And whereas several of the said Deserters have been apprehended, and are now in Gaol or Military Custody: Their Lordships do hereby farther give Notice, That His Majesty's Free Pardon will be extended to them also, of which they are to have the Benefit, upon their Arrival at any of the Marine Head Quarters.

And any Marine who may desert, after this Public Notice of His Majesty's most gracious Intentions, will not be included in the above Pardon, but be proceeded against with the utmost Severity.

*Pb. Stephens.*