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From Saturday May 16, to Tuesday May 19, 1778.

St. James's, May 18.

THIS Day Their Majesties, His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, His Royal Highness Prince Frederick, and Their Royal Highnesses the Princes and Princesses, removed to Kew, to reside there during the Summer.

St. James's, May 19.

The King has been pleased to grant the Dignity of a Baronet of the Kingdom of Great Britain unto the following Gentlemen, and to their Heirs Male, viz.

Samuel Hood, of Catherington in the County of Southampton, Esquire, Captain in His Majesty's Navy; and
Sir Richard Bickerton, Knight, Captain in His Majesty's Navy.

The King has been pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on Digby Dent, Esquire, Captain in His Majesty's Navy.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Richard Lloyd, of Shrewsbury in the County of Salop, Goldsmith, and to his Heirs Male, His Royal Licence to take and use the Surname of Topp only, and also to bear the Arms of Topp, pursuant to the Will of John Topp, late of Whitton in the said County of Salop, Esq; deceased; (such Arms being first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Heralds Office) and also to order, that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in the College of Arms.

War-Office, May 19.

4th Regiment of Foot, Captain Sir James Murray, from 57th Regiment, is appointed to be Major, vice Nesbitt Balfour.

7th Regiment of Foot, Captain Lawrence Parsons, from 10th Foot, to be Major, vice Joseph Stopford.

Ditto, Ensign Thomas Maitland, from 55th Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Lloyd.

10th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Thomas Lloyd, from 7th Foot, to be Captain, vice Lawrence Parsons.

Ditto, Lieutenant Richard Bassett to be Captain, vice Julius Stirk.

Ditto, Ensign James Haverkam to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Bassett.

15th Regiment of Foot, Major Joseph Stopford, from 7th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice John Maxwell.

17th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Daniel Frazer to be Lieutenant, vice Mathew Anketel.

22d Regiment of Foot, James Whiteman, Hospital Mate, to be Surgeon, vice Benjamin Mace.

23d Regiment of Foot, Major Nesbitt Balfour, from 4th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Benjamin Bernard.

Ditto, Lieutenant Thomas Peters, from 64th Regiment, to be Captain, vice Edward Evans.

27th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Alexander Martin to be Lieutenant, vice George Wood.

37th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Stafford Lightburne to be Lieutenant, vice Robert Rorifon.

Ditto, Ensign Edward Litton to be Lieutenant, vice John Frith.

42d Regiment of Foot, Ensign David Crawford to be Lieutenant, vice William Stewart.

Ditto, Alexander Grant, Gent. to be Ensign, vice David Crawford.

43d Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant William Todd to be Captain, vice Robert Mackenzie.

Ditto, Ensign Charles Townshend, from 4th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice William Todd.

44th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Richard St. George Manfergh St. George, from 52d Regiment, to be Captain, vice James Field.

Ditto, Lieutenant William Haffard to be Captain, vice Alexander Graydon.

Ditto, Ensign John M'Mahon to be Lieutenant, vice William Haffard.

52d Regiment of Foot, Ensign Cornelius Emmerson, from 46th Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice Richard St. George Manfergh St. George.

54th Regiment of Foot, Captain Lieutenant William Bunbury to be Captain, vice Archibald M'Arthur.

Ditto, Lieutenant Rowley Hill to be Captain. Lieutenant, vice William Bunbury.

Ditto, Ensign George Griffin to be Lieutenant, vice Rowley Hill.

Ditto, Thomas Palmer, Gent. to be Ensign, vice George Griffin.

Ditto, Serjeant-Major — Hall to be Adjutant, vice Hugh Colvill.

57th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Mathew Anketel, from 17th Foot, to be Captain, vice Sir James Murray.

64th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Thomas Freeman to be Lieutenant, vice John Forster Hill.

Ditto, Lieutenant William Snowe to be Captain, vice Ephraim Stannus.

Ditto, Ensign Peter Murdock to be Lieutenant, vice William Snowe.

Ditto, Ensign James Mercer to be Adjutant, vice William Snowe.

Ditto, Ensign David Boswell, from 44th Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Peters.

Staff.

Surgeon Benjamin Mace, of 22d Regiment, to be Apothecary to the General Hospital, North America.

By the KING,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

G E O R G E R.

WH E R E A S divers Persons have been guilty of the illegal Practices of clandestine importing and running of prohibited and uncustomed Goods, and thereby subjected themselves to great Penalties, for which some have been already convicted, and are in Execution for the same; and others are under Prosecution, and many more liable to such Penalties, to avoid which they abscond, or are gone into Foreign Parts, which has, or may prove the Ruin of themselves and their Families; and whereas they may yet be of Use to Us and their Country in the present Conjuncture of Affairs, by serving Us in Our Navy or Army, in case they are rendered capable thereof, by Our gracious Pardon; We being desirous of giving them an Opportunity of entering into Our Service, and in Hopes of putting a Stop by this Means in a great Measure to Practices pernicious to the Publick Interest, and destructive to the Persons and Families of so many of Our Subjects, have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation; and We do hereby promise and declare, that in case any fit and able Person or Persons, who has or have incurred any Penalties in, by, or for the clandestine importing, running, landing, relanding, unshipping, concealing, or receiving, or being assisting in such running, landing; relanding; or unshipping any Prohibited Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, or any Goods liable to the Payment