

that some which struck were not taken Possession of, the Evening coming on, and it blowing fresh with thick Weather.) By crowding Sail to effect this, several of our Ships were far-a-sterk, so that to form a Line proper for Action would have been impossible to effect it before Dark; I therefore tacked to join the Sternmost Ships, at the same Time making the Signal for the Order of Sailing, to get the Squadron connected, after which I put upon the same Tack with the Enemy. At Day-light the next Day we saw them to Leeward, upon which I formed the Line; but perceiving their Force so much superior to my Squadron, I did not think it advisable to hazard an Action.

Inclosed you have a List of their Force, which all the Officers (Prisoners) that I have spoke with agree in, and which corresponds, as to Number and Force of the Ships, with the Victory's and reconnoiring Ships Observations.

As soon as I can collect the Prizes together, I shall send them in under the Protection of some Ship of the Squadron.

When we got amongst the Convoy, the Triumphant of 84 Guns, who had kept with them, in bearing down to join their Squadron, passed close across the Edgar's Fore Foot, (the leading Ship of our Line) and gave her a smart raking Fire, which fortunately did not do much Execution. The Edgar's Conduct upon this Occasion was masterly: She avoided being directly raked, by judiciously bearing up as the Enemy passed her, and immediately after luffed to the Wind, and brought her Broad-side at right Angles with the Enemy's Stern, throwing in a well directed Fire, which we could perceive was very effectual; the next Morning we observed the Triumphant in the French Line with his Main-top-Mast and Main-Yard gone.

List of the Line of Battle Ships with the French Convoy.

La Bretagne,	110,	Monf. Le Compte De Guichen (1st.)
L'Invincible,	110.	
Le Majestueux,	110,	Monf. Le Compte De Rochouart. (2d.)
Le Royal Louis,	112,	Monf. De Bauffet (4th.)
Le Terrible,	110.	
La Couronne,	84,	Monf. de la Motte Piquet (3d.)
Le Triumphant,	84,	Le Marquis de Vaudreuil.
Le Pegasse,	74.	
Le Magnifique,	74.	
Le Actif,	74.	
Le Dauphin Royal,	70.	
Le Bien Aimé,	74.	
Le Zodiaque,	74.	
Le Brave,	64.	
Le Robuste,	74.	
Le Fendant,	74.	
Le Argonaut,	64.	
Le Lion,	64.	
L'Indien,	64.	
L'Hardi,		} Armée en Flute.
L'Alexandre,		

R. KEMPENFELT.

N. B. Rear-Admiral Kempenselt's Squadron consisted of Twelve Sail of the Line, One Ship of 50 Guns, Four Frigates, and One Fireship.

Sir Richard Pearson relates, that the captured Ships are chiefly laden with Artillery and Ordnance Stores, and have on Board between 900 and 1000 Troops.

Plymouth, December 11, 1781.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship Brune, Francis John Hartwell, Esq; Commander, who were actually on Board the said Ship on the 8th of August, 1780, at the Tacking L'Epervier, a French Ship Pelacre, that a Remittance being made on Account of the Proceeds of the said Ship and Cargo sold at St. Christopher's, they will be paid their respective Shares of the same, on the Ship's first Arrival at Plymouth; and the Shares not then demanded will be recalled at the same Place the First Tuesday in every Month for Two Years following, when the Accounts will be made up, and transmitted to St. Christopher's.

Brod. Hartwell, for Aretas Acres, Esq; of St. Christopher's, Agent.

East-India House, November 21, 1781.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 19th of December next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the Purpose of declaring a Dividend from Midsummer last to Christmas next.

Sheffield, December 10, 1781.

THE Trustees of the Estate and Effects of Richard Worrall and William Worrall, late of Sheffield in the County of York, Ironmongers, intend to make a Dividend, on Thursday the 24th of January next, at the House of Samuel Peach, the Angel, in Sheffield. All Persons who have any Demands on them, or on the Estate of Richard Worrall, late of Sheffield aforesaid, Ironmonger, deceased, or Elizabeth Worrall, late of the same Place, Widow, deceased, and have not already delivered in an Account of their respective Debts, are desired to leave the same with Mr. John Williams, in Coalpit-lane, on or before the said 24th Day of January, otherwise they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend; and all Persons who are indebted to the aforesaid Richard Worrall and William Worrall, Richard Worrall, deceased, and Elizabeth Worrall, deceased, are required immediately to pay the same to Mr. Kenyon Parker, Attorney, in Sheffield, or to Mr. John Williams, as above, or they will be sued without further Notice.

To the Creditors of John Fletcher, of London, Insurer.

THE Assignees of Mr. John Fletcher's Estate having a considerable Sum of Money in their Hands, which they are desirous of dividing amongst his Creditors, find it necessary preparatory thereto, to ascertain as nearly as may be the Amount of their Demands upon his Estate, they therefore request that the Holders of Policies underwrote by him, upon which there are Total Losses, Averages, or Returns now due, (and which have not been already proved under the Commission) as well as the Holders of other Policies, upon which the Risques are still depending, will be pleased to send the Particulars of such Losses, and Policies last-mentioned, (specifying the Ships Names, the Voyages, the Sums assured, and the Times when) to the Assignees, at New Lloyd's Coffee-house; or to their Solicitor, Mr. Dowding, in Brick-court, Middle Temple.

THE Creditors of William Shawe, late of Liverpool in the County of Lancashire, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of his Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 8th Day of January next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Henry Forshaw, known by the Sign of the Golden Lion, in Dale-street, in Liverpool aforesaid, in or to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees bringing one or more Actions or Suits at Law or in Equity for the Recovery of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and also to the compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matters in Dispute relating thereto; and on other special Affairs; particularly as to the Propriety of the said Assignees assigning over some small dubious Debts, in Consideration of a Security which will be then and there proposed, for a Sum of Money to be paid to the said Assignees, for the Creditors of the said Bankrupt's Estate.

Pursuant to an Order made by the Right Hon. Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for enlarging the Time for William Peddle, of Great Bandy-leg-walk, Southwark, in the County of Surry, Dealer and Chapman, (a Bankrupt) to surrender himself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, for 28 Days, to be computed from the 18th Instant; This is to give Notice, that the Commissioners in the said Commission named and authorized, the major Part of them, intend to meet on the 15th of January next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; where the said Bankrupt is required to surrender himself; between the Hours of Eleven and One of the Clock of the same Day, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, and finish his Examination; and the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, may then and there come and prove the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Overton, of Tooting Graveney in the County of Surry, Carpenter, Builder, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 25th Day of December instant, and on the 5th and 29th Days of January next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mess. Young and Mitton, Doctors Commons, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Marlowe Sidney Marlowe, of Gracechurch-street, London, Grocer, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 19th Day of December instant at Five in the Afternoon; on the 12th Day of January next