

76<sup>b</sup> Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant Roderick Mackenzie, of the late 73<sup>d</sup> Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice J. Delves Broughton, promoted to an Independent Company.

Crown Office, March 12, 1791.

MEMBERS returned to serve in the present Parliament.

*Borough of Dunwich.*

Miles Barne, Esq; in the Room of Barne Barne, Esq; who hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Bonenham, in the County of Buckingham.

*Borough of Tiverton.*

The Right Honourable Dudley Ryder, of Sandon in the County of Stafford, re-elected, having accepted the Office of Paymaster-General of His Majesty's Land Forces.

*Borough of Heytesbury.*

The Right Honourable Richard Earl of Barrymore, of the Kingdom of Ireland, in the Room of Michael Angelo Taylor, Esq; who hath made his Election to serve for the Town of Poole.

*Mercurii, 9<sup>o</sup> Die Martii, 1791.*

WHEREAS the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the Merits of the Petition of Charles Mellish and John Anstruther, Esquires, and also of the Petition of several Persons whose Names are thereunto subscribed, being Freeholders of Burgage Tenure within the Borough of Pontefract in the County of York, and, as such, Electors of Members to serve in Parliament for the said Borough, severally complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said Borough of Pontefract, have this Day reported to the House of Commons, That it appeared to the said Select Committee, that the Merits of the Petitions did wholly depend upon the Right of Election; and that therefore the said Committee required the Counsel for the several Parties to deliver to the Clerk of the said Committee Statements in Writing of the Right of Election for which they respectively contended. That in consequence thereof the Counsel for the Petitioners Charles Mellish and John Anstruther, Esquires, and also for the Petitioners the Freeholders of Burgage Tenure within the Borough of Pontefract in the County of York, and, as such, Electors of Members to serve in Parliament for the said Borough, delivered in a Statement as follows: "Statement on the Part of John Anstruther and Charles Mellish, Esquires." "The Right of Election for Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of Pontefract in the County of York, is in Persons having within the said Borough a Freehold of Burgage Tenure, paying a Burgage Rent." That the Counsel for the Sitting Members John Smyth and William Sotherton, Esquires, delivered in a Statement as follows: "The Counsel for the Sitting Members state the Right of Election for the Borough of Pontefract to be in the Inhabitants of Householders Residents." That upon the Statement delivered in by the Counsel for the said several Petitioners, the said Select Committee have determined, "That the Right of Election, as set forth in the said Statement, is not the Right of Election for the Borough of Pontefract in the County of York." That upon the Statement delivered in by the Counsel

for the Sitting Members, the said Select Committee have determined, "That the Right of Election, as set forth in the said Statement, is the Right of Election for the said Borough of Pontefract." I do hereby give this Notice, in pursuance of the Directions of the Act made in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for the further Regulation of the Trials of Controverted Elections, or Returns of Members to serve in Parliament." Given under my Hand the Ninth Day of March, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-one.

HENRY ADDINGTON, Speaker.

*Admiralty-Office, March 9, 1791.*

PURsuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, this is to give Notice to the Concerned, that Information has been sent to this Office, That the Ship Valck, of Amsterdam, Burthen about 800 Tons, whereof G. G. Hepner was Master, bound on a Voyage to Batavia, laden with Masts, Iron, Lead and Foreign Silver Coin, on the 26th of last Month struck on Happisburgh Sand, by which Accident she became very leaky, and by the Violence of the Sea the Master and Two of the Mariners were washed overboard and drowned: That on the 28th the Ship floated off the Sand, and, with the Assistance of Two small Fishing Vessels, the remaining Part of the Crew and Passengers, with Nine Chests (supposed to contain Dollars and Papers) were saved and landed at Yarmouth in the County of Norfolk, and that very soon afterwards the said Ship fell on her Beam Ends, and floated away to Sea.

*Ph. Stephens.*

*Dublin Castle, March 4, 1791.*

Yesterday having been appointed for the Celebration of Her Majesty's Birth-Day, there was a numerous and splendid Appearance of the Nobility and other Persons of Distinction to compliment his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, before whom an Ode set to Music was performed. At Three o'Clock the Great Guns at the Salute Battery in His Majesty's Park the Phoenix were fired Three Rounds, and answered by Volleys from the Regiments in Garrison, which were drawn up in the Royal Square at the Barracks. In the Evening a Play was given by his Excellency to the Ladies; and at Night there were Bonfires, Illuminations, and other Demonstrations of Joy throughout the City.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, that on the 10th of December last, as James Cammell, Second Mate of the Revenue Cutter was cruising between Christ Church and Hurst, in a Boat belonging to the said Cutter, he fell in with a large Smuggling Luggar near Becken Bury, and which was then landing her Cargo: That on his being discovered by the Crew of the said Luggar, they ordered him to come on Board, which the Officer refused, and immediately the Luggar got under Sail, chased the Custom-House Boat, and feloniously fired several Shot at her: That the following Night about Eight o'Clock, a Boat belonging to the Swan Revenue Cutter, in the Service of the Customs, commanded by Joseph Goodridge, an Officer of this Revenue, fell in with the said Luggar near Christ Church, which he immediately chased, and came up with, when the Crew of the Luggar ordered the Officer and his Men on Board, whom they forced below, and kept a Guard