

Admiralty-Office, May 16.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Sir John Orde, Bart. Commanding Officer of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Plymouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 13th of May, 1797.

S I R,

Herewith I transmit, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter I have received from Captain Seymour, of His Majesty's Sloop Spitfire, giving an Account of his having captured La Trompeuse, French Schooner, which he has brought into this Port.

I am,

S I R,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

J. ORDE.

Spitfire, Plymouth Sound, May 13, 1797.

S I R,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you of the Capture of Le Trompeuse French Schooner Privateer, (of Morlaix) of Six Guns and Forty Men, out Five Days, and had only taken Two Prussian Vessels belonging to Embden; one bound to Liverpool, the other to Oporto. The Spitfire was present Sunday last at the Recapture of a Brig by the Unité.

I am,

S I R, &c. &c. &c.

MICH. SEYMOUR.

Sir John Orde, Bart. &c. &c. &c.

St. James's, May 9, 1797.

The King hath been pleased to grant unto Thomas Wetenhall, of Over Peover in the County Palatine of Chester, Esq; Lieutenant in the Navy, His Royal Licence and Authority, that he and his Issue may assume the Surname and bear the Arms of Mainwaring only, in Compliance with the last Will and Testament of (his Brother by the Half Blood) Sir Henry Mainwaring, of Over Peover aforesaid, Bart. lately deceased.

Whiteball, April 29.

The King has been pleased to grant unto John Rouffelet, of Egham Lodge, in the County of Surry, Esq; His Royal Licence and Authority that he and his Issue may assume and take the Surname of Whitefoord, in Addition to that of Rouffelet, out of a singular Regard and Attachment to the Family of Whitefoord, of the County of Ayr, in North Britain, and more particularly to his dear and honoured Friend Sir John Whitefoord, of Whitefoord, in that County, Bart.: And also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Whitehall, May 10, 1797.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that on the Evening of Sunday last, the 7th Instant, between the Hours of Eight and Nine o'Clock, as Sydney Fryer, of Holborn, Esq; and a young Lady his Cousin, were passing through the Fields leading from White Conduit House to Islington, they discovered Three Men in the Act of Robbing a Woman; that upon approaching near them one of the Party advanced to the said Sydney Fryer, Esq;

and inhumanly murdered him, by shooting him through the Head with a Pistol; and that after rifling his Pocket of his Money, a Gold Hunting Watch with Steel Chain and Two Gold Seals, and robbing the young Lady who had accompanied him, they made their Escape.

His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the atrocious Murder above-mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to either of the Persons concerned in the said Murder (except the Person who actually perpetrated the same) who shall discover his Accomplices therein.

PORTLAND.

And, as a further Encouragement, a Reward of FIFTY GUINEAS is hereby offered to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders, by

Baxters and Martin.

Office for Sick and Wounded Seamen,
September 15, 1796.

THE Appointment of Surgeons to His Majesty's Ships and Vessels being vested in the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded Seamen, it is the Direction of the said Commissioners, that all Surgeons, not at this Time employed in the Service, do forthwith give Notice here of their Place of Abode, and that they continue to do the same as often as they shall change their Places of Abode. It is also desired that all Surgeons, as well those employed as unemployed, do transmit to this Office a List of the Ships they have served in, and their Stations, specifying the Time they respectively belonged to each.

Admiralty-Office, April 19, 1797.

Notice is hereby given, that a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery, for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held at Justice Hall in the Old Bailey, London, on Tuesday the 30th Day of May next, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning.

Evan Nepean.

Navy-Office, May 12, 1797.

THE Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury having appointed Money for the Payment of Half-Pay to Sea-Officers from the 1st of July to the 31st of December, 1796, according to His Majesty's Establishment on that Behalf: These are to give Notice, that the several Payments will begin to be made at the Pay-Office, by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning, on the following Days, viz.

On Monday the 22d Instant, to Admirals, Captains, and their Attornies.

On Tuesday the 23d and Wednesday the 24th Instant, to Lieutenants and their Attornies:

And on Thursday the 25th Instant, to Masters and Surgeons.

After which the List will be recalled the First and Third Wednesdays in every Month, that all Persons may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them; and not only bring with them the Affidavit required, touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any Public Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during