

Speedy, River Tagus, March 18, 1798.

My Lord,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, that His Majesty's Sloop Speedy captured, on the 15th Instant, Twenty Leagues West of Cape Mondego, the St. José, alias El Gavelan, Spanish Lugger Privateer, of 6 Carriage Guns and 44 Men; out from Vigo Three Days; not made any Captures.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

H. DOWNMAN.

*Right Hon. Admiral Earl
St. Vincent, K. B.*

King's Fisher, in the Tagus, March 18, 1798.

My Lord,

I Have the Honor to inform your Lordship, that on the 15th Instant, Oporto bearing S. E. by E. distant 40 Leagues, I fell in with, and after a Chace of Three Hours captured Le Lynx, copper-bottomed Ship Privateer, pierced for Eighteen, but mounting only Ten Guns, Four-Pounders, and Seventy Men; she had been six Days from Rochelle, but had not made any Captute.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

CHA. H. PIERREPONT.

*Right Hon. Admiral Earl
St. Vincent, K. B.*

Dublin Castle, April 4, 1798.

THIS Day his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant went in State to the House of Peers, and being seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Mr. Bryan Connor, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from his Excellency to the House of Commons, signifying his Pleasure that they should immediately attend his Excellency in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, his Excellency gave the Royal Assent to

An Act to enable His Majesty to receive voluntary Contributions of His Subjects for the Defence of this Kingdom.

An Act to continue an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for collecting and securing His Majesty's Duty on Malt.

An Act to continue an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for regulating the Import, Export, and Sale of Coffee, and securing the Duties payable thereon.

An Act to prevent the Importation of Portugal Salt into this Kingdom in Neutral Vessels for a Time therein limited.

An Act for indemnifying such Persons as have acted, since the Third Day of July in the Year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, for the Preservation of the Public Peace and Suppression of the Insurrections prevailing in some Parts of this Kingdom.

An Act for continuing an Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act more effectually to suppress Insurrections, and to prevent the Disturbance of the Public Peace; and also an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to explain an Act, passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intitled, An Act more effectually to

suppress Insurrections and prevent the Disturbance of the Public Peace.

An Act to continue an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the better Prevention and Punishment of Attempts to seduce Persons serving in His Majesty's Forces by Sea or Land from their Duty and Allegiance to His Majesty, or to incite them to Mutiny or Disobedience.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to secure the Liberty of the Press, by preventing the Abuses arising from the Publication of Traiterous, Seditious, False and Slanderous Libels, by Persons unknown.

An Act for continuing an Act passed in the Twenty-third Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for establishing Regulations respecting Aliens arriving in this Kingdom, or Residents therein, in certain Cases, and Subjects of this Kingdom, who have served or are serving in Foreign Armies; and for continuing another Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to prevent the Importation of Arms, Gunpowder and Ammunition into this Kingdom, and making and removing, selling and keeping of Gunpowder, Arms and Ammunition, without Licence.

An Act to shorten the Time now required for giving Notice of the Royal Intention of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, that the Parliament shall meet and be holden for the Dispatch of Business; and more effectually to provide for the Meeting of Parliament in the Case of a Demise of the Crown.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the better and more convenient Administration of Justice, and for the Recovery of small Debts in a summary Way, at the Sessions of the Peace of the several Counties at large within this Kingdom, except the County of Dublin; and for continuing and amending an Act, entitled, An Act for the better Execution of the Law and Preservation of the Peace within Counties at large.

An Act to empower the Justices of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for the County of Dublin, and for the County of the City of Dublin, to continue to hold Sessions of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, begun to be holden before the Effoin Day of Term, notwithstanding the Sitting of the Court of King's Bench, in either of the said Counties, and to enable the Judges of Assize and Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer to order Persons in Execution to attend before them as Witnesses.

Whitehall, April 10, 1798.

The King has been pleased to grant to the Reverend Thomas Morgan, of the Town of Brecknock, Clerk, M. A. his Royal Licence and Authority, that he and his Issue may assume, take and use the Surname of James only, in Compliance with the Wills of his Great Uncle, Thomas James, late of the Town of Brecknock aforesaid, Esq. deceased, and also to order that this His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Whitehall, April 3, 1798.

The King has been pleased to present the Reverend William Anderson, Minister of the Gospel, to the Church and Parish of St. Fergus, in the Presbytery of