

Commissions in the Lleweli Foresters, signed by His Majesty. Dated December 3, 1799.

The Right Honorable Lord Kirkwall to be Captain.

W. M. Bradford, Gent. to be First Lieutenant.
Gabriel Hughes, Gent. to be Second Lieutenant.
Robert Jones, Gent. to be Ensign.

Whitehall, February 25, 1800.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Shipdem, of Dover, in the County of Kent, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

Whitehall, February 25, 1800.

The King has been pleased to grant unto the Right Honorable Lord Grey, of Ruthyn, His Royal Licence and Authority that he and his Issue may take and bear the Surname and Arms of Yelverton instead of those of Gould, pursuant to the Will of his Lordship's Grandfather Henry late Earl of Suffex, deceased; provided such Arms be first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Herald's-Office; and also to order that His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in his College of Arms.

Admiralty-Office, February 25, 1800.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Milbanke, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Portsmouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 22d Instant.

SIR,

I enclose I beg Leave to transmit to you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter I have this Day received from Captain Riou, of the Amazon, acquainting me with his having captured the Bougainville French Privateer on the 14th Instant, on his Return from Cork to this Anchorage, and of the Loss of her on the following Evening.

I am, Sir, &c. &c. &c.

M. MILBANKE.

His Majesty's Ship Amazon, Spithead, February 25, 1800.

SIR,

I AM to acquaint you that His Majesty's Ship under my Command failed from Cork Harbour on the 12th Instant; and on the 14th captured the Bougainville, a French Privateer of Saint Malo, commanded by Pierre Dupont, mounting Eighteen Six-Pounders, and carrying Eighty-two Men: but I am sorry to add, that on the following Evening as the Amazon was brought-to to Sound, the Bougainville ran on board us at the Rate of Nine Knots, and rebounded off with the immediate Loss of her Fore and Main-Masts, and with so much Injury to her Hull, that there was an instantaneous Alarm of Sinking. It was not without some Risk, as the Night was dark, the Sea rough, and the Wind high, that the Boats were hoisted out of the Amazon, and all the Men saved excepting One. The Bougainville, I am told, was at this Time going down by the Stern, the Water within-board being above the afterpart of the Gun-Deck. The Injury

done to the Amazon was nothing more than carrying away the Spritfail, Yard, and Bumkin.

I have the Honor to be, Sir, &c. &c. &c.
Admiral Milbanke. E. RIOU.

Admiralty-Office, February 25, 1800.

Extract of a Letter from Captain D'Auvergne, (Prince of Bouillon) Commander of His Majesty's Ship Bravo, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated at Jersey the 20th Instant.

I Have the Honor to transmit you herewith, for their Lordships' Information, Lieutenant D'Auvergne's Report to me of his having Yesterday captured, in the Aristocrat Brig under his Command, one of the French Gun-Boats.

Off Cape Frehel, His Majesty's Hired Armed Brig Aristocrat, 19th February 1800.

SIR,

ON my Way to execute your Order of Yesterday's Date, I fell in this Morning and captured, after an Hours' Chase, a French Gun Vessel No. 57, mounting an Iron Twenty-four-Pounder in her Bow, with a Number of small Arms, &c. commanded by Le Citoyen Roulland, Enseigne de Vaisseau, from the River Fegué, bound to St. Maloes, out Twenty-four Hours; several of her Crew and Passengers made their Escape in the Boat before she struck, and one was drowned in attempting to swim on Shore. Cape Frehel, bore South Half a Mile from us, when the above brought to and struck.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

C. J. D'AUVERGNE, Lieutenant and Commandant.

Captain D'Auvergne, Prince of Bouillon, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, February 25, 1800.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Peter Halkett, Commander of His Majesty's Ship Apollo, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Madeira, bearing N. W. Twelve Leagues, 25th January 1800.

SIR,

ON the 11th Instant, in Latitude 43 Deg. 29 Min. N. Longitude 12 Deg. W. a Ship of a very suspicious Appearance was discovered at a great Distance from the Convoy; the Weather at the Time being extremely hazy; after a Chase of Four Hours, we got within Shot of her, when she brought to and surrendered; we found her to be the Aquilla Spanish Ship of War, pierced for Twenty-two Guns on the Main Deck, but having only Four mounted, commanded by Don Mariano Merino, from Buenos Ayres, bound to Corunna with a Cargo.

At Day-break on the 15th Instant, when proceeding on our Voyage, a Sail was seen a-head, on our approaching her she altered her Course, and endeavoured to avoid us; after a very short Chase we came up with and recaptured her; she is the Lady Harewood, a Ship that parted from the Convoy on the 1st Instant, at the Commencement of an excessive hard Gale of Wind; she was taken Two Days before in Latitude 38 Deg. N. Longitude 16 Deg. W. by the Vautour French Ship Privateer of Twenty Guns.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

P. HALKETT.