

Frigate. The People were now employed in splicing the Rigging and getting another Toppallant Yard and Sail ready to send aloft. At Day-light observed the Enemy had French Colours flying, and one of the Frigates bearing a Commodore's Pendant. They then wore and stood to us; answered our Signal and repeated the Annull to one of the Ships of the Convoy; bore up to close the Arrow; at Seven she hailed us, and desired we would keep in her Wake, in close Order; made sail in the Starboard Tack, closing with the Enemy; at Twenty-five Minutes past Seven the headmost Frigate being abreast of the Arrow, and within Half Musket-shot, fired her Broadside at her, which was immediately returned; at Thirty Minutes past Seven she was abreast of us, and gave us a Broadside; we then commenced Action with her, which we continued until the Second Frigate, which was the Commodore's, came up to and fired into us (having engaged the Arrow in passing); we now turned our Fire upon this Ship until we came close up with the Arrow, who had put her Helm a-weather and was now raking her; we hauled our Wind to clear the Arrow, who appeared to be wearing; I hailed, and asked if he meant to again come to the Wind on the Starboard Tack, but could not understand what he said; as soon as clear of the Arrow, we again directed our Fire against the Commodore's Ship, which we continued until Eight, when, with the greatest Grief, I saw the Arrow obliged to strike, being no longer able to contend with the great Superiority of Force opposed to her. She had, I conceive, received much Damage in the Act of wearing; the Wind being light, she lay a considerable Time with her Head to the Enemy. The Achéron being now very much disabled in Masts, Sails, and Rigging, and Part of her Sternpost carried away, I considered farther Resistance on my Part could answer no good, and, unwilling to sacrifice the Lives of Men who had given me the highest Proof of their Courage, I determined to make what Sail I could, with little Hopes of saving the Ship, but with a View of prolonging the Time of my being captured, to give the Convoy the better Chance of escaping.

The Superiority in sailing of the Enemy's Ship rendered the Chase but short; at Three Quarters past Eight having in Chase received one Broadside and Part of another, and the Enemy now very near us, with the greatest Mortification and Sorrow I was obliged to surrender to the French Frigate L'Hortense, of Forty-four Guns, commanded by Monsieur De la Marre La Mellerie, who, finding her much disabled, as soon as the Officers and Ship's Company were removed, set her on Fire.

ARTHUR FARQUHAR.

Pelican Life-Insurance-Office.

March 12, 1805.

Notice is hereby given, that a General Court of the Proprietors of this Office will be holden at their House, in Lombard-Street, on Tuesday the 9th of April next, for the Election of a Director, in the Room of George Shum, Esq; deceased.

The Chair to be taken at Twelve o'Clock, and the Ballot finally close at Three.

By Order of the Board,

Peter Bowers, Secretary.

Navy-Office, March 13, 1805.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Friday the 29th Instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, Commissioner Fanshawe will expose to Sale, in His Majesty's Dock-Yard, at Plymouth, several Lots of Old Stores, consisting of

Old Shakings,
Rope,
Junk,
Hammocks,
Bunting and Canvas,
Hemp Rubbish,
White Oakum and Flyings,
Oil and Paint Casks,

also the Hull of His Majesty's Sloop Delight, all lying at the said Yard, where any Persons, wishing to become Purchasers, may have the Liberty of viewing the same during the common working Hours of the Yard, until the Day of Sale.

Inventories and Conditions of Sale may be had here and at the Yard.

R. A. Nelson.

Navy-Office, March 16, 1805.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 27th Instant, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be willing to contract for supplying His Majesty's Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Chatham, Sheerness, Portsmouth, and Plymouth, or one or more of the said Yards, with

Copper Sheets,
Copper and Mixed-Metal Nails,
Copper Bolts and Rings,

or any of the said Articles.

Patterns of the Sheets, Bolts, and Rings, and of the Variety of Nails required, may be seen at this Office, with Forms of the Tenders.

No Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock on the Day of Treaty, nor any noticed, unless the Party, or an Agent for him, attends.

R. A. Nelson.

Navy-Office, March 20, 1805.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 3d of April next, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be willing to contract for supplying His Majesty's several Yards with

Riga Goods,
Norway Goods,
Dantzic Goods.

Distributions of the Articles, with Forms of the Tenders, may be seen at this Office.

No Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock on the Day of Treaty, nor any noticed, unless the Party, or an Agent for him, attends.

R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

LONDON DOCKS.

London Dock-House, March 22, 1805.

THE Court of Directors of the London Dock Company do hereby give Notice, that a Special General Meeting of the Proprietors of the said Company, will be held at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-Street, on Friday the 29th Instant, at Twelve o'Clock, to take into Consideration the Means of raising a farther Sum of Money.

Geo. Robinson, Secretary.

N. B. The Chair will be taken at One o'Clock precisely.