

Charles Edward Clarke, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated August 18, 1809.

Robert Charleton, Gent. to be ditto. Dated December 18, 1809.

Robert Huggup, Gent. to be ditto. Dated April 11, 1810.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Renfrew.*

William Mure, Esq; to be Vice-Lieutenant. Dated May 12, 1810.

*Renfrew Militia.*

Lieutenant David Drummond, from the East London Militia, to be Captain of a Company, vice Spooner, appointed to the Line. Dated May 12, 1810.

Ensign Robert Morrice to be Lieutenant, vice Young, resigned. Dated as above.

Humphry Cochrane, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Morrice, promoted. Dated as above.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of Hants.*

*South Hants' Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.*

John Jennings Welcott, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Strangeways, resigned. Dated May 18, 1810.

Admiralty-Office, May 26, 1810.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir John Borlase Warren, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Halifax, to John Wilson Croker, Esq; dated at Bermuda, the 21st February 1810.*

SIR,

I ENCLOSE, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Peter Proctor, an old Officer of much Merit, commanding His Majesty's Schooner the Thistle, detailing the Account of an Action with the Dutch National Corvette De Havik, commanded by a Lieutenant of Marine. The Prize is a large East India built Ship, of very warlike Appearance, and the good Conduct and Bravery displayed by Lieutenant Proctor, his Officers and Men, in attacking a Ship of her Size and Force, and their Perseverance under many Difficulties, will, I trust, entitle them to their Lordships' Favour.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BORLASE WARREN.

SIR, *Thistle, at Sea, February 11, 1810.*

YESTERDAY Morning we were in Sight of a Ship, which, upon being chased, manœuvred suspiciously, and excited our best Endeavours to come up with her. After a Chase to Windward of Seven Hours and a Half, the superior Sailing of His Majesty's Schooner under my Command brought us alongside; and the Moment I hailed, the Stranger hoisted Dutch Colours, commenced Action, and attempted to run us down; we were fully prepared to meet him, and avoiding his Bows, continued to engage so closely, and with such good Effect, that, in the Course of an Hour, the Enemy made Sail and endeavoured to escape before the Wind; we were thus brought into running Fight for Four Hours, when I had the Pleasure to find the Batavian Flag was hauled down, being hailed that they had struck.

On taking Possession of our Capture, we found she was the Dutch National Corvette de Havik,

commanded by Mynlier J. Sterling, Lieutenant of Marine, mounting Ten Guns, pierced for Eighteen, with Fifty-two Men, and having on board the Batavian Admiral Buyfkes, with his Suite, late Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief at Batavia, from that Island bound to New York, and partly loaded with Spices and Indigo.

One Man on board the Enemy was killed, the Admiral and Seven Men badly wounded. The Loss on the Part of the Thistle was Samuel Hobbs, a Private Marine, killed, myself and Six Men wounded.

At an early Part of the Action Three of our Carronades were dismounted, but the gallant Conduct of every one of my Crew readily replaced this Damage, bravely emulating each other in supporting the Superiority of the British Flag.

I am &c.

(Signed) P. PROCTOR, Lieut. and Com.

*Whitehall, May 19, 1810*

The King has been graciously pleased to give and grant unto Lieutenant-General Sir John Stuart, Count of Maida, Knight of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, and Commander of His Majesty's Forces in the Mediterranean, His Royal Licence and Authority, that he and his Descendants may bear and use to his and their armorial Ensigns the honourable Augmentation of A BEND CHARGED WITH A SWORD, representing the Sword, richly ornamented with various Devices, in allusion to the brilliant and decisive Victory obtained over the French Troops on the Plains of Maida, on the 4th Day of July 1806, which was presented to the said Sir John Stuart by His Majesty Ferdinand the Fourth, King of the Two Sicilies, accompanied by an Expression of His gracious Desire that the same should be preserved with the Diploma of the Title of Count of Maida, and be transmitted to Posterity, as a Memorial of a Day so glorious to the British Troops, and to the General who had led them to Victory, as well as a Pledge of His said Sicilian Majesty's high Regard.

Provided the said honourable Augmentation be first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and that this His Majesty's Concession, and especial Mark of His Royal Favour, be registered in the College of Arms.

*Whitehall, May 26, 1810.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Griffith, of Llanwith, in the County of Denbigh, Gent to be a Master-Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

*Whitehall, May 1, 1810.*

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that an anonymous Letter has been addressed and sent from Reading to the Marquis of Blandford, dated 1st May 1810, and signed, "by Order of injured Volunteers R. O. Sey;" wherein, among other Things, his Lordship's Life is threatened in the following Terms, viz.

Prepare for another World.—Your Time is short—Death altho' perhaps slow—is certain before this month is past in a way you little expect—certain indeed—You have lived long enough—Yes We will