

Whitehall, October 30, 1810.

The King has been pleased to present the Reverend R. Porter Packwood, Master of Arts, to the Vicarage of St. Mary, in the Town of Warwick, and Diocese of Worcester, void by the Death of the Reverend Mar. aduke Matthews.

Whitehall, October 27, 1810.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that, about Eleven o'Clock of the Night of Friday the 12th of October instant, a Fire was discovered in the Barn and Buildings belonging to William Nowell, Esq; near his Dwelling-House at Iffley, in the County of Oxford, which Fire in a short Time consumed Corn and Hay, the Property of the said William Nowell, Esq; to a very considerable Amount; and that there are strong Grounds for suspecting that these Fires were wilfully and maliciously occasioned by some Person or Persons unknown;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the above-mentioned Felonies, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the Person who actually set Fire to the said Barn and Buildings) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

R. RYDER.

And, as a further Encouragement, a Reward of THREE HUNDRED POUNDS is hereby offered to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted,) to be paid on Conviction of one or more of the Offenders, upon Application to Mr. Baker Morell, Magdalen College, Oxford.

OFFICE FOR TAXES, SOMERSET-PLACE. October 30, 1810.

PURSUANT to an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of His present Majesty's Reign, Notice is hereby given, That the Price of the Three per Centum Reduced Bank Annuities, sold at the Bank of England on this Day, was £65 and under £66 per Centum.

By Order of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes. Matthew Winter, Secretary.

Navy-Office, June 25, 1810.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy hereby give Notice, that a Plan of Education has been established, at the Royal Naval College at His Majesty's Dock-Yard at Portsmouth, for a Superior Class of Apprentices to Shipwrights.

That the Number of Students in the Superior Class of Shipwrights' Apprentices shall, in the first Instance, be limited to Twelve, but will gradually be increased to Twenty-five. The period of Apprenticeship shall be Seven Years, but for a Student who may have previously served in the Inferior Class of Apprentices in His Majesty's Yards for the Space of Two Years, it shall be only Six Years, and only Five Years for a Student who may have previously served in the said Class for the Space of Three Years.

An Instructor in the Theory of Naval Architecture will be added to the present Establishment of the Royal Naval College, to assist particularly in the Instruction of this Class of Apprentices.

The Candidates for Admission must produce Certificates from two respectable Physicians or Surgeons

that they are of sound Health and Constitution, and likewise Proof from the Register of the Parish in which they were born, of their being at least Fifteen, and not more than Seventeen Years of Age, excepting Candidates from among the Shipwrights' Apprentices of the Yard, who may be admitted if they shall not have served more than Three Years of their Time. Candidates shall be examined on the first Wednesday in November in each Year, by the Professor of the Royal Naval College, assisted by the Instructor in the Theory of Naval Architecture, in the Presence of the Commissioner of the Yard, the Lieutenant Governor of the College, and Master Shipwright, who shall jointly report the Result of the Examination to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, carefully inserting the Names of the Candidates in Succession according to their respective Merits.

The following shall be the Subjects of Examination, with which every successful Candidate must be perfectly acquainted.

- 1st. Reading English, and writing it with Facility from Dictation.
- 2d. The first Four Rules of Arithmetic, and the Rule of Three in whole Numbers, and also in Vulgar and Decimal Fractions.
- 3d. The first Three Books of Euclid's Elements by R. Simson, with the Exception of Propositions 42, 44, 45, Book I. and of Propositions 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, Book II. In this Part of the Examinations, besides giving the most precise Demonstrations, the Candidates will be expected to make the Constructions in a practical Manner with Compasses and a Ruler.
- 4th. The French Language, a Knowledge of which, although not absolutely required in the Candidates who may present themselves at the first Examination which is to be held, will nevertheless give a Preference to those, who are in all other Respects equally qualified; at all subsequent Examinations, however, the Candidates will be required to read and translate French with Facility.

After Admission into the Superior Class, the Apprentices shall attend at the Royal Naval College Three or Four Hours on the Mornings of every Day in the Week, except Sunday and the established Holidays, where they shall be instructed in such Parts of the following Subjects as shall appear to the Professor of the College to be best adapted to the Object of the Establishment, viz. the Formation of able and useful Ship Builders:

Geometry	Fluxions
Algebra	Theory of Naval
Plane Trigonometry	Architecture
Mechanics	Drawing
Hydrostatics	The French Language.

On Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, the Apprentices shall be employed at the College during the Hours above-mentioned, in the Study of Mathematics, under the Professor or the Instructor; on Thursday and Friday Mornings in Drawing, under the Drawing Master, the Art of Perspective being most particularly applied in drawing the different Parts of a Ship; and the Morning of Saturday shall be appropriated to the Study of such Books and Exercises in the French Language, under the