

shortened sail, and made herself clear for an obstinate resistance) when, after giving her three cheers, our action commenced, which was kept up with great spirit on both sides forty-three minutes, when we lay her alongside, and were in the act of boarding, when she struck her colours. She proves to be the United States sloop of war Argus, of three hundred and sixty tons, eighteen twenty-four-pounder carronades, and two long twelve-pounders; had on board when she sailed from America, (two months since) a complement of one hundred and forty-nine men, but in the action, one hundred and twenty-seven, commanded by Lieutenant-Commandant W. H. Allen, who, I regret to say, was wounded early in the action, and has since suffered amputation of his left thigh.

No eulogium I could use would do sufficient justice to the merits of my gallant officers and crew (which consisted of one hundred and sixteen): the cool courage they displayed, and the precision of their fire, could only be equalled by their zeal to distinguish themselves; but, I must beg leave to call your attention to the conduct of my First Lieutenant, Thomas Welsh, of Mr. William Glanville, Acting Master, Mr. William Ingram, the Purser, who volunteered his services on deck, and Mr. Richard Scott, the Boatswain.

Our loss, I am happy to say, is small, one master's-mate, Mr. William Young, slain in the moment of victory, while animating, by his courage and example, all around him, and one able seaman, John Emery, besides five seamen wounded, who are doing well; that of the enemy I have not yet been able to ascertain, but it is considerable, her officers say about forty killed and wounded.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) J. F. MAYFIELD, Commander.

*Commission in the Wiltshire Regiment of Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.*

John Long, Esq. to be Captain. Dated July 23, 1813.

*Commissions in the Fifeshire Regiment of Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Fife.*

Ensign James Walker to be Lieutenant, vice Forbes, resigned. Dated June 11, 1813.

Robert Barry Fitzgerald, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Walker, promoted. Dated as above.

Mathew Pattison, Gent. to be ditto, vice Lamb, appointed to the 93d Foot. Dated June 18, 1813.

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*Commission in the Buteshire Regiment of Local Militia, signed by the Vice Lieutenant of the County of Bute.*

Patrick Stewart, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated July 27, 1813.

*Commissions in the Shrewsbury Yeomanry Cavalry, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Salop.*

Cornet William Oakley to be Lieutenant. Dated August 7, 1813.

John Boothby, Gent. to be Cornet. Dated as above.

Edward Humphreys, Gent. to be Surgeon. Dated as above.

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

*Southern Northumberland Local Militia.*

William Lynn Smart, Esq. to be Captain, vice Wallis. Dated August 9, 1813.

William Hawdon, Gent. to be Surgeon. Dated August 11, 1813.

*Western Regiment.*

Robert Belt, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated August 9, 1813.

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

*Loveden Regiment of Local Militia.*

Joseph Massey, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated July 6, 1813.

*Lindsey Regiment.*

Joseph Kirke, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated July 6, 1813.

Thomas Farr, Gent. to be ditto. Dated as above.

*South Wold Troop of Yeomanry Cavalry.*

William Walker, Esq. to be Captain. Dated July 2, 1813.

Robert Midgeley Kindie, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

Anthony Gibbons, Gent. to be Cornet. Dated as above.

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

*Sevenoaks and Bromley Regiment of Local Militia.* His Grace the Duke of Dorset to be Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, vice Viscount Whitworth, resigned. Dated July 26, 1813.

Ensign Abraham Palmer to be Lieutenant, by Brevet. Dated May 21, 1813.

*Chatham and Dartford Regiment.*

James Abbott Lloyd, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated May 4, 1813.

*1st East Kent Regiment.*

Robert Curties, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated May 13, 1813.

*Chatham and Gillingham Volunteer Artillery.*

John Skillett, Gent. to be Second Lieutenant. Dated May 24, 1813.

*Canterbury Rifle Volunteers.*

First Lieutenant John James Pearce to be Captain. Dated July 14, 1813.