

Among the many great and eventful changes which have thus been recently produced, we, as Britons, cannot but feel peculiarly gratified by the restoration of His Majesty's German dominions to their legitimate Sovereign, and, of the United Provinces to the Prince of Orange; the renewal of our ancient relations of amity and commercial intercourse with the Dutch Nation, must necessarily open abundant sources of prosperity to British interests, and contribute at once to our national security, and to public and individual wealth and happiness.

We assure your Royal Highness, that we have the fullest reliance on the wisdom of your Royal Highness's Government, the energy of which has hitherto led to results glorious beyond all former example; and we trust that a continuance in the same firm councils, will procure for His Majesty's subjects the early establishment of peace and tranquility, the just reward of their long and arduous resistance to the invader of the liberties of Europe.

Given under the seal of our corporation, this 23d day of December 1813.

Thomas Smith, Mayor.

Admiralty-Office, April 16, 1814.

A LETTER has been transmitted to this office, addressed by Captain Coode, of His Majesty's ship Porcupine, to Rear-Admiral Penrose, dated in the Garonne, above Pouillac, the 2d instant, giving an account of the capture or destruction of a flotilla of the enemy by the advanced boats of the British squadron, under Lieutenant Dunlop, of the Porcupine.

The flotilla was observed at daylight, proceeding down from Blaye to Talmont, and, on the approach of the boats, the vessels were run on shore, and their crews, with about two hundred soldiers from Blaye, lined the beach to protect them; but Lieutenant Dunlop landing with a detachment of seamen and marines, drove them with great loss into the woods, and remained till the tide allowed the greater part of the vessels to be brought off.

One gun-brig, six gun-boats, one armed schooner, three chasse marées, and an Imperial barge, were captured; and one gun-brig, two gun-boats, and one chasse marée, burned.

This service was performed with the loss of two seamen missing, and fourteen seamen and marines wounded; and the gallantry and good conduct of Lieutenant Dunlop, and the other officers and men employed on the occasion, are highly commended by Rear-Admiral Penrose and Captain Coode.

Admiralty-Office, April 16, 1814.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Hope, of His Majesty's Ship Endymion, addressed to Admiral Sir J. B. Warren, and transmitted by the latter to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Ship Endymion, at Sea,
December 4, 1813.

SIR,
WHEN in the execution of your orders to join His Majesty's ship Valiant, I have the satisfaction

to inform you, that yesterday, after a hard run of eight hours, we captured the Perry letter of marque, a remarkably fine American schooner, of two hundred and thirty tons measurement, just off the stocks, and copper fastened.

I have, &c.

H. HOPE, Captain.

The Right Honourable Sir J. B. Warren,
Bart. and K. B. Commander in Chief,
&c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, April 16, 1814.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Pechell, of His Majesty's Ship San Domingo, addressed to Admiral Sir J. B. Warren, and transmitted by him to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Ship San Domingo,
at Sea, dated March 1, 1814.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to inform you that His Majesty's ship under my command, captured this day, after a chase of eight hours and a half, the American letter of marque brig Argus, armed with thirteen carriage guns and sixty five men, from Savannah, bound to the Havannah, out five days.

I have the honour to be, &c.

S. JOHN PECELL, Captain.

The Right Honourable Admiral Sir
J. B. Warren, Bart. and K. B.
&c. &c. &c.

Whitehall, April 16, 1814.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to constitute and appoint the Right Honourable Francis Lord Napier to be His Majesty's Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has also been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to present the Reverend Frederick Ricketts, Master of Arts, to the rectory of Eckington cum Killamarsh, in the county of Derby, and diocese of Lichfield and Coventry, void by the death of the Reverend Christopher Alderson.

Whitehall, March 31, 1814.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to give and grant unto the Right Honourable Alexander Home, Earl of Home, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority, that he and his issue may assume and take the surname of Ramey, with and as an addition to the name of Home, in compliance with a condition contained in the last will and testament of his maternal grandfather John Ramey, late of Great Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk, Esq. deceased.

And also to order, that this royal concession and declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.