

Honourable the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the City of Edinburgh.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the City of Edinburgh, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with sentiments of the warmest affection to your Royal Person, and, with the most profound respect, to offer our congratulations on the splendid and decisive victory with which it hath pleased Almighty God to crown the exertions of His Majesty's arms.

We have seen with indignation an unprincipled usurper, in defiance of a solemn treaty, attempt to re-assume that empire which he had abdicated, and endeavour to satiate the rapacity of a perjured army, by renewing those scenes of devastation by which he had formerly laid waste the Continent of Europe.

The heroic achievements of the British army, led on by the immortal Wellington, have confounded the gigantic plans of the presumptuous adventurer, have replaced the legitimate Sovereign on the throne of France, and opened up the prospect of returning peace to heal the wounds of the afflicted nations of Europe.

It is with exulting hearts that we congratulate your Royal Highness that the line of politics, for so many years pursued by the Government of this country, and acted upon in the late emergency with increased vigour, has afforded to our heroic countrymen an opportunity of displaying a gallantry hitherto unparalleled, and of raising Great Britain to the first rank among the nations.

We venerate the Sovereign, crowned with years and glory, under whose paternal care the noble career of triumph was begun. We contemplate with the pride of conscious freedom your Royal Highness maintaining the rights, establishing the privileges, and thus animating the exertions and advancing the happiness of your brave and loyal people, who will ever reflect with satisfaction on the dignified attitude which the British empire has attained under your Royal Highness's Government.

That the life of your Royal Highness may be long preserved is the earnest prayer of your Royal Highness's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council, of the City of Edinburgh.

Signed in our name, by our appointment, and the City Seal affixed hereto,

*John Marjoribanks*, the Lord Provost of Edinburgh.

[Transmitted by the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, and presented by Lord Viscount Sidmouth.]

Commission in the Royal South Lincoln Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Lincoln.

Thomas Smith Parker, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated July 14, 1815.

*Whitehall, August 5, 1815.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Thomas Orton Gery, of Daventry, in the county of North-

mpton, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed George Stallard, of the city of Bath, in the county of Somerset, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

*Navy-Office, July 31, 1815.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having appointed money for the payment of half-pay to Sea Officers from the 1st April to the 30th June 1815, according to His Majesty's establishment in that behalf; these are to give notice, that the several payments will begin to be made at the Pay-Office by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, at ten o'clock in the morning, on the following days, viz.

On Monday the 14th and Tuesday the 15th of August, to Admirals, Captains, and their Attornies.

On Wednesday the 16th and Thursday the 17th, to Lieutenants and their Attornies.

On Friday the 18th and Monday the 21st, to Masters, Pursers, and Surgeons, and their Attornies.

After which the list will be recalled the first and third Wednesday in every month, that all persons may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the affidavit required, touching their not having enjoyed the benefit of any public employment, either at sea or on shore, during the time they are to be paid their half-pay, but also to produce certificates that they have subscribed to the Test, and taken the Oaths of Allegiance required by Act of Parliament, to His present Majesty; and in case any of the said Officers should not be able to attend themselves, but employ Attornies for that purpose, that the said Attornies do produce the like certificates and affidavits from the persons they are employed by.

Where Officers are abroad on leave, their agents are to produce attested copies of such leave, before the half-pay can be paid.

And as by Act of Parliament, passed in the thirty-fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, intitled, "An Act for establishing a more easy and expeditious Method for the Payment of Officers belonging to His Majesty's Navy," it is enacted by the twentieth clause of the said Act, "that if any Commissioned or Warrant Naval Officer who shall be entitled to receive Half-Pay, and shall be desirous to receive and be paid the same at or near the place of his residence, he may apply to the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, in London, to have such Half-Pay paid at or near the place of his residence, &c. in the manner pointed out by the said Act;" notice is hereby further given, that the half-pay ending the 30th of June 1815, will commence paying on the 14th instant; and all persons desirous of having their half-pay remitted to them, may apply as above directed.

*B. A. Nelson*, Secretary.