

future time, to be claimed by the regiments from which they had formerly deserted:

The Magistrate to whom any deserter from His Majesty's regular forces shall surrender himself, is authorised and required to certify the day on which such deserter surrendered; which certificate is to be delivered to the deserter, to continue in force until the arrival of the deserter at the head-quarters of the nearest military post, provided he proceed at the rate of ten miles a day, unless prevented by sickness; such sickness to be certified by some medical practitioner, on the back of the Magistrate's certificate; or to be otherwise proved, to the satisfaction of the Officer commanding at such military post.

And His Royal Highness having further commanded, that the greatest exertions shall be used, for the future apprehension of all deserters, every soldier now serving ought to be deeply impressed with a sense of the danger to which he will expose himself if he should be guilty of the crime of desertion; and all those who have already committed that offence, ought to feel that they will render themselves liable to the severest punishment if they do not immediately avail themselves of the pardon held out in this His Royal Highness's most gracious Proclamation.

Any soldier who may desert after these His Royal Highness's gracious intentions are made public, shall not be included in the above pardon, but be proceeded against with the utmost severity.

By command of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty. PALMERSTON.

Whitehall, July 15, 1817.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented unto His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, on the evening of Saturday the 5th instant, the barns, outhouses, and premises, belonging to Mr. Joseph Green, of the parish of St. Lawrence, near Southminster, in the county of Essex, were consumed by fire, and that there is every reason to believe that the same was the act of some evil-disposed person or persons unknown;

His Royal Highness, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the person or persons concerned in the felony above mentioned is hereby pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to promise His Majesty's most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually set fire to such barn, &c.), who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof. SIDMOUTH.

And, as a further encouragement, a reward of **THREE HUNDRED POUNDS** is hereby offered by the inhabitants of the said parish of St. Lawrence, and a further reward of **ONE HUNDRED POUNDS** is also hereby offered by the said Mr. Joseph Green, to any person or persons (except as is before excepted) who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted

thereof, or to any person or persons who shall apprehend and bring the said offenders or any of them to conviction, or cause them or any of them so to be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid.

Navy-Office, August 1, 1817.

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 of April to the 30th of June 1817, 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 11th instant, and two following days, to Admirals, Captains, and their Attornies.

On the 14th, 15th, 17th, and 18th instant, to Lieutenants and Chaplains, and their Attornies.

On the 19th and 20th instant, to Masters, Surgeons, and Pursers, and their Attornies.

After which the lists 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, intituled, "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;" and by a further Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for enabling the Officers in His Majesty's Navy, and their representatives, to draw for and receive their half-pay," it is enacted by the first and third clauses of the said Act, "that if any Officer in His Majesty's Navy, who shall be entitled to receive any sum of money for or on ac-