

VICE-ADM. SIR. W. A. MONTAGU.

March 6. At Ryde, in his 67th year, Vice-Admiral Sir William Augustus MONTAGU, Knt., K.C.H. and C.B. a Deputy Lieutenant of Huntingdonshire.

This officer entered the navy in 1796 as first-class volunteer on board the *Glatton* 50, Capt. Henry TROLLOPE; under whom he continued employed on the home station, in the *Russell* 74 (in which he was present in the victory of Camperdown), and *Juste* 80, until transferred about the close of 1800 to the *Sirius* 38, in which he witnessed the surrender of the French frigate *La Dedaigieuse*. He was for four years on board the *Dasher* in the east Indies; was made Lieutenant Nov. 14, 1804, Commander, Oct. 31, 1805; and on the 8th June, 1807, acting Captain of the *Terpsichore* frigate, which appointment was confirmed by the Admiralty on the 8th Dec. following.

In March, 1808, Capt. MONTAGU, whose ship mounted but 28 guns, and had only 180 men on board, fell in with, fought, and - with a loss to himself of 21 men killed and 22 men wounded - fairly beat off the French frigate *Semillante* of 40 guns and a crew of at least 300 men. Being soon after appointed to the *Cornwallis* 50, he assisted in the reduction of the island of Amboyna, and captured the Dutch frigate *Mandarin* and *De. Ruyter*. In Nov. 1810 he was intrusted with the command of the naval brigade landed to assist at the reduction of the Isle of France, during which his exertions were warmly approved by Major-Gen. ABERCROMBY, particularly on the defeat of the French troops before St. Louis.

On the 8th Sept. 1812 he was appointed to the *Niobe* 40, employed until June 1814 on the Channel, American, and Lisbon stations. On the 29th Oct. 1819 he was appointed to the *Phaeton* 46, which he commanded at Halifax until put out of commission in Sept. 1822. And on the 25th July, 1834, he was appointed to the *Malabar*, employed in the Mediterranean until the close of 1837. He attained the rank of Rear-Admiral Nov. 23, 1841, and that of Vic-Admiral in the year 1851. he was nominated Companion of the Bath, Dec. 8, 1815; a Knight of the Hanoverian Guelphic order, Oct. 5, 1830; and a Knight Companion of the same order, (accompanied with knighthood in this country,) in Jan. 1832.

He married Aug. 26, 1823, Anne, third daughter of the late Sir George William LEEDS Bart., of Croxton Park, Cambridgeshire.
