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FOR THE ARMS OF THE

BOARD OF ORDNANCE

1806 AND 1823.

ORDNANCE BOARD,  
October, 1963.

ENSIGN AND SEAL, BOARD OF ORDNANCE, ROYAL LICENSE, 1806.

George R.

George the third by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, etc. To Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely beloved cousin Charles Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal and Our hereditary Marshal of England, Greeting. Whereas Our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved cousin and Privy Councillor Francis Earl of Moira, Master-General as well of all and all manner of Our Ordnance as of Our Arms, Armouries and other Habiliments of War within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland hath represented unto Us that on an examination of the Records of the College of Arms he finds that the Armorial Ensigns hitherto used by the Right Honourable and Honourable the Board of Our said Ordnance have not been duly registered in Our said College and the said Francis, Earl of Moira, being desirous that such Registry should be made. Know ye therefore that We of Our Princely Grace and Special Favour have given and granted and by these Presents do give, grant and confirm unto Our said Right Honourable and Honourable Board Our Royal License and Authority to bear the Arms hitherto used by them, *viz.*, AZURE THREE FIELD PIECES IN PALE OR ON A CHIEF ARGENT THREE CANNON BALLS SABLE with the following crest OUT OF A MURAL CROWN A DEXTER HAND HOLDING A THUNDERBOLT ALL PROPER together with the motto *SUA TELA TONANTI*, and although the privilege of bearing supporters be limited to Peers of Our Realm and the Proxies of Princes of Our Blood at Installations except in such cases wherein under particular circumstances We have been pleased to grant Our Especial License for the use thereof, We are further desirous of allowing the said Right Honourable and Honourable Board to bear, and do accordingly grant supporters to the said Arms ON EITHER SIDE A CYCLOPS IN THE EXTERIOR HAND OF THE DEXTER A HAMMER, IN THAT OF THE SINISTER A PAIR OF FORCEPS RESTING ON THE SHOULDER OF EACH RESPECTIVELY ALL PROPER, the whole as in the Painting hereunto annexed to be borne and used for ever by the said Right Honourable and Honourable Board of Our Ordnance on a Common Seal, Shields, Banners or otherwise according to the Laws of Arms, the same being first duly exemplified and Recorded in the Heralds' Office otherwise this Our License and Authority to be void and of none effect. Our Will and Pleasure therefore is that you Charles Duke of Norfolk to whom the cognizance of Matters of this nature doth properly belong do require and command that this Our Concession and Especial Mark of Our Royal Favour be Registered in Our College of Arms to the end that Our Officers of Arms and all others upon occasion may take full notice and have knowledge thereof, and for so doing this shall be your Warrant. Given at Our Court of St. James this nineteenth day of July 1806 in the forty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

SPENCER.

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GRANT OF ARMS TO THE BOARD OF ORDNANCE, 16th MAY 1823.

To all and Singular to whom these Presents shall come Sir George Nayler, Knight, Garter Principal King of Arms, Ralph Bigland, Esquire, Clarenceux King of Arms, and Edmund Lodge, Esquire, Norroy King of Arms send greeting. Whereas His late Most Sacred Majesty by Warrant under his Royal Signet and Sign Manual bearing date the nineteenth day of July 1806 signified unto the late Most Noble Charles, Duke of Norfolk, then Earl Marshal and Hereditary Marshal of England that He had been pleased to give and grant unto the Right Honourable and Honourable the Board of His Majesty's Ordnance His Royal License and Authority to bear the Arms hitherto used by them, *viz.*, AZURE THREE FIELD PIECES IN PALE OR ON A CHIEF ARGENT THREE CANNON BALLS SABLE with the following crest OUT OF A MURAL CROWN A DEXTER HAND HOLDING A THUNDERBOLT ALL PROPER together with the motto *SUA TELA TONANTI* and to allow the said Board to bear for supporters to the said Arms on either side A CYCLOPS IN THE EXTERIOR HAND OF THE DEXTER A HAMMER IN THAT OF THE SINISTER A PAIR OF FORCEPS RESTING ON THE SHOULDER OF EACH RESPECTIVELY ALL PROPER as in the painting annexed unto the said Royal Warrant the said Arms and Supporters to be borne and used forever hereafter by the said Board on a Common Seal, Shields, Banners or otherwise according to the Laws of Arms, the same being first duly exemplified and Recorded in the Herald's Office, otherwise His Majesty's said License and Permission to be void and of none Effect. And forasmuch as Henry Thomas Howard-Molyneux-Howard, Esquire, commonly called the Right Honourable Lord Henry Thomas Howard-Molyneux-Howard Deputy (with the Royal Approbation) to his Brother the Most Noble Bernard Edward, Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal and Hereditary Marshal of England hath by Warrant under his Lordship's Hand and Seal bearing date the twelfth day of May instant authorised and directed us to exemplify the said Armorial Ensigns and Supporters accordingly. Know ye therefore that the said Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy in obedience to the Royal Command in pursuance of His Lordship's Warrant and by virtue of the Letters Patent of Our several Offices to each of Us respectively granted do by these Presents exemplify under the said Right Honourable and Honourable the Board of His Majesty's Ordnance the Arms following, that is to say AZURE 3 FIELD PIECES IN PALE OR ON A CHIEF ARGENT 3 CANNON BALLS PROPER and for the crest OUT OF A MURAL CROWN ARGENT A DEXTER CUBIT ARM THE HAND CLASPING A THUNDERBOLT WINGED AND INFLAMED PROPER with the motto following *SUA TELA TONANTI* and I the said Garter do by these Presents exemplify unto the said Board the supporters following, that is to say On either side A CYCLOPS IN THE EXTERIOR HAND OF THE DEXTER A HAMMER AND IN THAT OF THE SINISTER A PAIR OF FORCEPS RESTING ON THE SHOULDER OF EACH RESPECTIVELY ALL PROPER the whole as in the margin here of more plainly depicted the said Arms, Crest and Supporters with the Motto to be borne and used for ever hereafter by the said Right Honourable and Honourable the Board of His Majesty's Ordnance on a Common Seal, Shields, Banners or otherwise according to the Tenor of the said Royal Warrant and the Laws of Arms. In witness thereof We the said Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy Kings of Arms have to these Presents subscribed our Names and affixed the Seals of Our several offices this sixteenth day of May in the fourth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Fourth by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, etc. and in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three.

GEORGE NAYLER

RALPH BIGLAND

EDMUND LODGE

*Garter Principal King of Arms.*

*Clarenceux King of Arms.*

*Norroy King of Arms.*

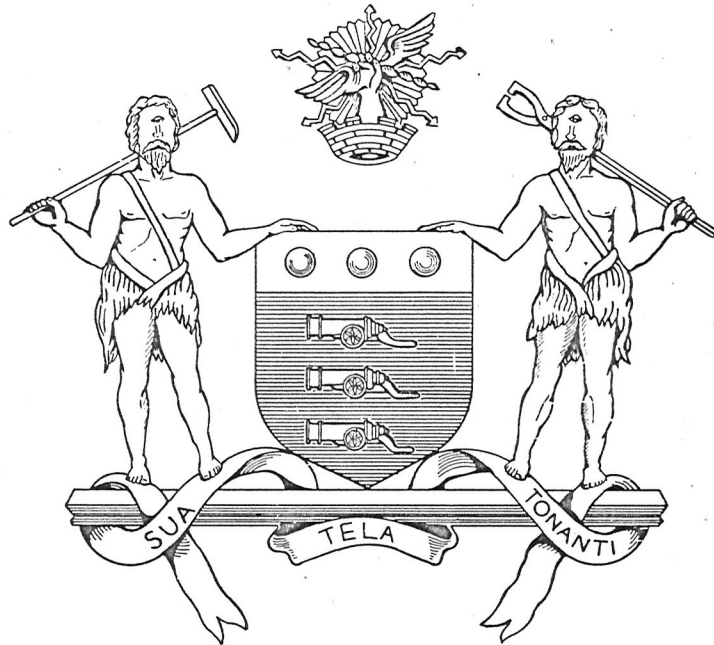
# The Arms

granted to

The Right Honourable and Honourable  
The Board of His Majesty's Ordnance

on

16 May, 1825



## The Blazon

- Arms** Azure - 3 Field Pieces in pale, or on a chief, argent, 3 cannon balls, proper
- Crest** Out of a mural crown, argent, a dexter cubit arm, the hand grasping a thunder-bolt, winged and inflamed, proper.
- Supporters** On either side a Cyclops, in the exterior hand of the dexter a Hammer, and in the sinister a pair of Forceps, resting on shoulder of each respectively, all proper.
- Motto** Sua tela tonanti.