

## Service lists for the Army, Navy and Air Force

### INTRODUCTION

This guide is the result of merging two separate checklists. The checklist of Army Lists (*British Army lists 1642- : a chronological handlist*) is undated and without attribution of authorship. It is believed to have been compiled around 1980 as a collaborative effort by the staff at that time of what was then the Official Publications Library (OPL) of the British Library; the identity of the actual compiler is unknown.



The checklist of Navy Lists (*Navy lists : a chronological handlist of lists of ships and officers of the Royal Navy since ca 1640*) is better documented. It was compiled in 1986 by Joy Tilley, a graduate library trainee, as a project for her work experience training under the supervision of Richard Cheffins who edited the result.

No attempt has been made to further edit the original checklists except to update a few pressmarks, to clarify some minor points of uncertainty, to expand somewhat on the current *Army* and *Navy lists* and to add a section on *Air Force lists*. The item numbering of Army Lists has been discontinued but otherwise the inconsistencies of style and layout between, and even within, the two main lists have been left to stand but these should not hinder the use of this guide. The original Navy checklist had a brief introduction which has been incorporated into this one; the Army checklist had none. Both had brief 'further reading' lists which have been combined as the penultimate section of this guide. This makes no pretence to be a proper bibliography on the topic of service lists. The arrangement of this guide, therefore is in five parts following this introduction: one each for Army lists, Navy lists and Air Force lists followed by a short 'Further reading' section. Because of the large number of Lists contained, there is a danger that readers may not see the wood for the trees and so the fifth section, comprising of just the main Lists, has been added and this may be sufficient for the needs of most readers.

The Army list and the Navy list sections (the bulk of this work) are each subdivided. The Army lists are divided into an 'England and Wales' section covering lists for England and Wales (to 1707), Great Britain (from 1708 to 1800) and the United Kingdom (since 1801), an Ireland and Scotland section (until their respective unions, each had a separate Army establishment), a section on regional directories and a section on alphabetical lists of officers, usually of specific corps or regiments. This last is unlikely to be complete. Navy lists are divided into two - lists of ships and lists of men though the distinction is not exclusive; the lists of ships will often include their commanders and the lists of men will generally include the ships or shore establishments on which the officers were serving.

The comprehensiveness of lists varies enormously. Some, especially the early lists contain names only of senior officers, captains and ship's commanders in the Navy, colonels and above in the Army. Indeed, many early army lists are called 'Succession of colonels' and these list not just the colonel of each regiment for the time being but all the colonels back to the regiments' foundations. Others are confined to certain classes of officers such as chaplains or engineering officers. Most include only serving officers but some also contain officers on half-pay (on the active or retired list), retired officers, officers in the reserve or civilians in the Admiralty, War Office, Air Ministry or Ministry of Defence. Most lists include regular officers including those on short service commissions but some also include (and others are confined to) militia, fencible, yeomanry, Territorial Army and Naval Reserve or Voluntary Reserve officers. What they will NOT contain are servicemen who are not commissioned officers - NCOs and private soldiers/airmen in the Army and RAF and petty officers and ratings in the Navy, though a few lists contain senior NCOs. One exception is *Soldiers died in the Great War* but this is not really an 'army list' in the conventional sense.

Another important exclusion are directories concerned exclusively with colonial regiments such as the King's African Rifles or the Gibraltar Regiment, or the Indian Army. These regiments owed allegiance to the British Crown but were not on the War Office establishment and were not part of the 'British Army'. The Indian Army, as such, dates only from the early twentieth century, before which the Government of India, and the East India Company before that, maintained separate armies for the three Presidencies of Bombay, Madras and Bengal. Published directories of the Indian Army and its predecessors, and their unpublished records are held in the India Office Records, part of the British Library's Oriental and India Office Collections. The main Indian Army list is included in the 'Further reading' section of this guide.

The arrangement of lists is variable. Although some alphabetical lists can be found in the following checklists, they are very much the exception and are seldom thought of as 'Army lists' (or 'Navy lists'). Most lists are systematically arranged with alphabetical indexes. Army lists are usually arranged by regiment or corps in order of seniority with officers listed by seniority within their unit and staff officers at the front. Another arrangement is in descending order of rank and, within rank, by seniority of date. Usually such 'gradation lists' as they are called include for each officer the dates of successive promotions (and type - temporary, brevet or substantive; within the regiment or within the army) up to the current rank held. The checklist that follows is for the most part unannotated and, unless it is indicated in the title, it is not possible to determine from it either the content or arrangement of the lists.

The checklist that follows is not a bibliography and omits some known army or navy lists. The principal criterion for inclusion is that the work is held by the British Library. A few army lists unheld by the Library are included and they are noted as 'not found in the BL catalogue'. The original compiler was cautious and it can reasonably be assumed that such works are not held. The only navy lists that are unheld are a few earlier editions when later editions are held.

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## **PART 1: BRITISH ARMY LISTS, 1642-**

### **A. England and Wales (later GB and UK)**

**1642**

A Catalogue of the ... Lords that have absented themselves from the Parliament ... A copie of all the Cavaliers of His Majesties Marching Army ... Also a List of the Army of ... Robert, Earle of Essex. 1642. **E.83.(9)**

**1642**

A copy of a list of all the Cavalliers, and brave Commanders of his Majesties Marching Army, etc. 1642. **669.f.6.(91)**

**1642**

The List of the Army raised under the command of Robert, Earle of Essex. 1642. **E.117.(3)**

**1642**

A List of the old and new Regiments of Horse and Foot under the command of ... R. Sidney, Earle of Leicester, etc. [15 June, 1642]. 4°. **E.150.(16)**  
[Another copy] **G.4156.(1)**

**1661-1714**

English Army Lists and Commission Registers, 1661-1714, by Charles Dalton. 6 vols. London : Eyre and Spottiswoode, 1892-1904. **BS.45/133**  
[Another copy] **HLR355.332**  
[Another copy] **1560/4533**  
[Another copy] **8835.i.24**

**1663**

A List of Officers claiming to the sixty thousand Pounds, &c. granted by his ... Majesty for the relief of his truly loyal and indigent Party, etc. London, 1663. 4° **1329.d.16**  
[Another copy] **G.3588**

**1684**

A General and Compleat List Military of every Commission-Officer of Horse and Foot now commanding His Majesties Land-Forces of England, etc. pp.19. Printed by J. Gain for Nathan Brook : London, 1684. fol. In the Dept. of MSS. **Add.MS. 10123.f.29**  
Known as 'Nathan Brooks' Army List' this was the earliest print record of the officers of the Standing Army of which copies still exist. It is reprinted in The Journal of the Society for Army Historical Research. No I, pp.6, 56, 142; II, p.164; III, pp.22, 85. (1921-24).  
**Ac.4355**

**1690**

A True and Exact Account of the Regiments of Horse and Foot in the Service of their Majesties King William and Queen Mary; and also an account of the Irish forces under the late King James, etc. Randal Taylor : London, 1690. s.sh.fol. **807.g.5.(54)**

**1691**

A List of the Forces for the Year 1691 and the charge of each regiment. For Richard Baldwin : London, 1691. s.sh.fol. **1865.c.4.(130)**

**1692**

An Exact List of all their Majesties' Forces in Flanders, England, Scotland and Ireland for 1692. R. Baldwin : London, 1692. s.sh.fol. **816.m.24.(61)**  
[Another copy] 1880.d.2.(22\*)

**1704**

The Blenheim Roll, 1704. Edited and annotated by Charles Dalton. pp.xv.82. Eyre & Spottiswoode. London, 1899. 8° **8831.c.31**

**1714**

A Regimental List of the Half-Pay Officers for the year 1714. London : J. Barber, 1714. **BS.45/144**

**1714**

List of Half-Pay Officers, English establishment, 1714. With an index. [A reprint, edited by C. Dalton]. London, 1900. For private circulation, only twelve copies printed. **8822.g.6**

**1714**

A new and compleat List of Officers, civil and military, in Great Britain. 1714. 8°. **808.d.12**

**1714-1727**

George the First's Army, 1714-1727. By Charles Dalton. 2 vols. London : Eyre and Spottiswoode, 1910. **BS.45/135**  
[Another copy]. **8821.cc.21**

**1718**

Abstracts of the number and yearly pay of the Land-Forces ... of Horse, Foot and Dragoons in Great Britain, for the year 1718. And of the charge continued on the publick by the wrong done to the reduced Officers on the British Establishment of half pay ... By a Member of Parliament. pp.iii. 25. London, 1718. 4°. **T.1788.(19)**

**1739-40**

A List of the Reduced Officers of his Majesty's Land-Forces and Marines entitled to receive half-pay in Great Britain, with an estimate of the charge there for the year 1739. Also, a List ... for the year 1740. To which is added, their ages, dates of their first commissions, and the time they were put upon half pay, and the occasion thereof. Published by order of the House of Commons. T. Cox : London, 1739. fol. 2 pt.

**BS.45/143**

[Another copy] Facsimile reprint in House of Commons Sessional papers of the eighteenth century (ed. Sheila Lambert). Wilmington, 1975. Vol.16, pp. 1-60. **BS.Ref.19**

**1740**

General List of his Majesty's Land Forces and Marines, shewing the number of Regiments and Men in each, etc. J. Millan : [London], 1740. s.sh. fol. **534.m.23.(3.d.)**

**1740**

The official Army List for 1740 was reprinted in 1931 by the Society for Army Historical Research, with a complete index of names as Special Publication no 3, under the title 'The Army List of 1740'. **Ac.4355/3**

**1740-41**

A List of the Colonels, Lieutenant Colonels, Majors, Captains, Lieutenants, and Ensigns of His Majesty's Forces, etc. pp.79. Pub. by Order of the House of Commons. T. Cox, C. Bathurst, J. Bemberton : London, 1740. fol. **BS.45/143\*(.2)**

[Another copy] Facsimile reprint in House of Commons Sessional papers of the eighteenth century (ed. Sheila Lambert). Wilmington, 1975. Vol.16, pp. 61-141.

**BS.Ref.19**

As above, dated 1741. **BP.8/5.(4)**

**1742**

The Succession of Colonels to all His Majesties Land Forces, from their rise to 1742. Precedency of each regiment with dates to promotions ... To which is added a list of ye Royal Navy; when built; ... tonnage, dimensions, &c. pay, subsistence ... pensions, &c. of ye army, navy and garrisons, etc. J. Millan : London, 1742. 12°. **BS.45/152.(1)**

**1742(?)**

[Another copy]. The Succession of Colonels, etc. London, 1742. 12°. The date is altered in MS to 1743. A few corrections have been made on the plates. **BS.45/152.(2)**

**1742-1809**

List of the Army and Navy [title varies]. In The Court and city register (Section IV). 67 vols. **PP.2506.a**

**1744**

The Succession of Colonels to all his Majesties Land forces from their rise, to 1744.

Precedency of each regiment ... To which is added a list of the Royal Navy, etc. J. Millan : London, 1745. 12°. **BS.45/152.(4)**

**1745(?)**

[Another copy]. The Succession of Colonels, etc. London, 1745. 8°. The date is altered in MS. to 1746. A few corrections have been made on the plates. **BS.45/152.(4)**

**1747**

As above dated 1747. **BS.45/152.(4a)**

**1749**

A List of the Reduced Officers of his Majesty's Land Forces and Marines, entitled to receive Half Pay in Great Britain. With an estimate of the charge thereof for the year 1749, etc. pp.51. [London], 1749. fol. **213.i.1.(105)**

**1749**

The Succession of Colonels, etc. J. Millan : [London], 1749. 8°.

Previous edition 1747. Printed on one side of the leaf only. **BS.45/152.(5)**

**1754-1868**

[The Annual Army List 1754-1868] **BS.45/136**

First published under the title : A List of the General and Field Officers as they rank in the Army. A list of the officers in the several regiments of Horse Dragoons and Foot, (and of the ... Royal Marines), etc. on the British [and Irish] establishment. With the dates of their commissions as they rank in each corps. [Published by authority]. [London, 1754-1868]. 4°. Large Paper MS. notes. Several of the earlier volumes have been cropped in the binding.

In 1849 an octavo edition appeared entitled : A List of the Officers of the Army and of the Corps of Royal Marines, on full, retired, and half pay ... 1849-50 (1864-65). London, 1849-64. 8°. Another edition of the quarto list : the pages being reimposed in an octavo form. **BS.45/142**

[Another copy] Vols. for 1830, 1832-33. Not on large paper. **BS.45/141**

[Another copy] Vol. for 1780 **BS.45/136.(6)**

[Another copy] Vol. for 1784 **BS.45/136.(2)**

[Another copy] Vol. for 1786 **BS.45/136.(3)**

[Another copy] Vol. for 1793 **BS.45/136.(4)**

**1760-1893**

List of the army. In The royal kalendar. **PP.2506.g**

**1762**

The earliest known printed List of Auxiliary Force, The Militia List which forms part of the

1762 Army List has a separate pagination (1-51), but no title or index, and relates to the English and Welsh Militia only. See **BS.45/136**

#### **1768-1779**

The Military Register : or, New and complete lists of all His Majesty's land forces and marines for the year 1770, etc. J. Almon : London, [1770]. 12°. pp.218. **8836.a.47**

The Military Register; or, new and complete lists of all his Majesty's Land Forces and Marines for the year 1772, etc. For J. Almon : London, [1772], 12°. pp.190. Known as 'Almon's Military Register' this was a privately published list which was published annually from 1768-1772. It appears to have been continued by - **BS.45/107**

The Military Register; printed for Alexander Donaldson : London, 1779. 8°. **BS.45/108**

#### **1778-1781**

Unofficial lists of the militia were published by J. Almon and later by J. Debrett between 1778 and 1781, under the title, 'A List of the Officers of the Militia of England and Wales'. These lists are not indexed, but do give the stations of the regiments and some details of uniform as well as names and dates of commission. 1778 edition, J. Almon : London. **534.k.29.(2)**

#### **1782**

Bell's Complete and Correct List of the Army, including the militia, fencible and provincial forces, and the marines; with the officers on half-pay. To which are added lists, tables, regulations and duties. Being a full description of the military establishment of Great Britain and Ireland, etc. pp.180. John Bell : London, 1782. 12° **8839.a.122**

#### **1783-1813**

A list of the army [title varies]. In The London kalendar. **PP.2506.k**

#### **1792**

Return of the Militia, embodied and disembodied, in Great Britain in 1792. In the Parliamentary Papers 1821(363) xv 211 **BS.Ref.1**

#### **1793**

A List of the Militia Officers, with the dates of their commission ... Corrected to the 25th of September, 1793. The London Kalendar, London, 1794. **PP.2506.k**

#### **1793-1825**

List of the Officers of the Several Regiments and Corps of Militia : also of the several Fencible Regiments and of the New Independent Companies. [A series of Lists of the Officers of the Militia Yeomanry and Volunteer Corps from 1793-1825]. The lists for the years 1798, 1802, 1806, 1818-19 and 1821-24 are wanting. **BS.45/148**

### **1798-1958**

[The Monthly Army List (The Army List)]

The monthly army list: containing the whole of the effective army of Great Britain [etc.] . January 1798 - May 1940 [title varies]. London, 1798-1940. The issue dated June 1798 wants pp.25-30; the collections of the British Library are wanting Feb-May 1798, July 1798-Nov 1799, Jan-Dec 1800, Feb-April, June-Oct 1801, Dec 1801-Aug 1802, Oct 1802-June 1806, Aug 1806-Mar 1808, May 1808-Dec 1809, July 1810-Jan 1812, June 1812, Jan-June, Aug-Nov 1813, Feb 1815, June 1823, July 1826, July 1827, Nov 1833, Aug Nov Dec 1834 and June 1836. **BS.45/140** [continued as]

The quarterly army list, July 1940-Dec.1950. London, 1940-50. (bound in two parts, April 1942-Aug. 1947). Originally 'Restricted'. **BS.45/140** [continued as]

The army list, April 1951-March 1958. London, 1951-58. (3 issues per year, April, August and December, April 1951 - April 1954, + issues for April 1957 and March 1958; other and later issues may exist). Originally 'Restricted'.

First published in 1798 for Sir Richard Phillips, the Monthly Army List was probably compiled from material compiled for the Annual Army List by Leonard Morse, until his death in 1808. From 1809-1854 it was published by Robert Wilkinson and others. Wilkinson succeeded Morse as compiler of the Annual Army List, and although the work was still unofficial it was issued with the sanction of the Secretary at War. From 1854 onwards the list was published officially although HMSO were not acknowledged as publishers until 1856. Issues were available to the public until February 1939 and appeared monthly with the exceptions of September 1881, December 1897, January 1898 and September 1914. From July 1915 to December 1918 the list was published 'For Official Use Only'; from January to July 1919 was marked 'Official copy' and from September 1939 onwards 'Restricted'. **BS.45/140**

[Another copy] for 1798-1809 **BS.45/140.(4)**

[Another copy] for July, 1914, August 1914, December, 1917. London, 1914-17. 8°. With manuscript notes giving details of casualties in the European War, 1914-1919. **BS.45/140.(3)**

### **1803**

Volunteers of the United Kingdom. 1803. (Return, ... to the House of Commons ... of all Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps, etc.). London, 1803. **G.13932**

[Another copy] In the Parliamentary Papers 1803-04 (13) (14) xi 9, 112. **BS.Ref.1**

### **1804**

A List of the Officers of the Gentlemen and the Yeomanry cavalry, and Volunteer Infantry of the United Kingdom. pp.830 [London], 1804. 8° **BS.45/150**

### **1804**

List of the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps of the United Kingdom. To which is added an appendix containing the complete Regulations for the Volunteer Establishment ... with an abstract of the Consolidated Volunteer Bill. London : J. Stockdale, 1804. No further issues appear to have been published. **8824.b.26**

**1808-09**

Militia Return of Commissioned Officers. 1808. In the Parliamentary Papers 1808 (267) (269) (271) vii 237, 249; 1809 (33) x 249. **BS.Ref.1**

**1810-11**

A List of the Officers of the Local Militia of Great Britain, 1810 (1811). London, [1810, 11]. 8°. This local militia force existed until 1816 but no further editions appear to have been issued. **BS.45/149**

**1815**

The Waterloo Roll Call. (1815), by Charles Dalton. London, 1890. **8830.aaa.39**

[Another edition] 2nd ed. 1904. **8822.a.31**

**1815**

[Another issue] 2nd ed. (reprinted 1971) **X.809/9589**

**1837**

A List of the Officers of the Yeomanry Cavalry of Great Britain. War Office, January 1837. A single issue. (Not found in the BL catalogue).

**1839-40**

A Return of the Names of the Colonels and other Officers of the different Regiments of Militia in England and Wales; the Dates of their commissions; listing those who have served in the Household Brigade, the Line, or Royal Navy ... 1839. In the Parliamentary Papers 1839 (427) xxxi. 267; 1840 (409) xxx. 253. (The Return for 1840 deals with certain regiments only). **BS.Ref.1**

**1839-1914**

[Harts' Army List (Quarterly)] **PP.2486.lba**

The New Army List, exhibiting the Rank, Standing and various services of every Regimental Officer in the Army serving on Full Pay, including the Ordnance and Royal Marines ... By H.G. Hart, Lieut. 49th Regt. London : Smith Elder & Co., 1839. This unofficial quarterly list, first published in 1839, continued until the outbreak of war in 1914.

The title changed a number of times throughout the period, as follows. The New Army List. 1840-1853; The New Army List and Militia List. 1854-1869; The New Army List, Militia List and Indian Civil Service List. 1870-1880; The New Army List, Militia List, Yeomanry Cavalry List and Indian Civil Service List. 1881-1893; The New Army List, Militia List and Yeomanry Cavalry List. 1894-April 1901. The New Army List, Militia List and Imperial Yeomanry List. July 1901-Jan. 1909; The New Army List, Special Reserve List and Territorial Force List. April 1909-Jan. 1915. By H.G. Hart. London, 1839-1915. 8°. The cover bears the title : Hart's Army List.

### **1840-1915**

[Harts' Army List (Annual)]

The New Annual Army List, with an Index. Corrected to 7th February, 1840. By H.G. Hart, Lieut. 49th Regt. London : John Murray, 1840. The Annual List continued to be published until 1915.

Both lists contain General and Field Officers, regimental lists, Staff and Garrison Establishments and include dates of various promotions. The war service of each officer was also included (unavailable elsewhere until the New Quarterly Army List in 1881).

**PP.2486.lb**

Lists of the Militia were added in 1854, the Indian Army in 1862, Yeomanry in 1881 and the Special Reserve and Territorial Force in 1909. It should be noted that the quarterly list dealt only with officers on the Active List whereas the annual included all officers on the Active, Half-Pay and Retired Lists.

### **1850**

The Royal Militia and Yeomanry Cavalry Army List, containing the names and seniority of every regimental and staff officer in the Militia and Yeomanry Cavalry. Compiled by Arthur Sleight. London : British Army Despatch Press. No.1. 1850. A single issue containing useful information on the services and uniform of each regiment. (Not found in the BL catalogue).

### **1860-61**

The Volunteer Army List for January 1860 (- 1861). London, 1859 (-1860). The January 1861 issue not held. No further issues. **PP.2486.ks**

### **1876**

The Auxiliary Forces List : being a list of the officers of the Militia, Yeomanry, and Volunteers, their army and other services; the present number containing Staffordshire-Warwickshire-Worcestershire. By Henry Bathurst. pp.x.88. H. Bathurst : Leamington, 1876. 8°. **8830.c.42**

### **1879**

Roll of officers, non commissioned officers, and men present at the defence of Rorke's Drift, January 22nd and 23rd 1879. [1930 ?] s.sh.obl.fol. Photographically reproduced on cloth from manuscript. **1853.e.5.(124)**

### **1880-1948**

[The Quarterly/Half Yearly Army List, 1880-1948]

The Official Army List for the quarter ending 30th June, 1880 (-31st December 1912). With an index. (Gradation List of Officers of the British Army). London, 1880-1912. 8° **BS.45/104** [Continued as]

The Quarterly Army List for the quarter ending 31st March, 1913 (-30th June, 1922). (Gradation List). London, 1913-22. 8°. **BS.45/104** [Continued as]

The Half-Yearly Army List for the half-year ending 31st December, 1922 [etc.] (Gradation List). London, 1923- 8°. From 1948 onwards the Half-Yearly Army Lists were withdrawn from public use. **BS.45/104**

#### **1911-1928**

The Cadet List, being a list of all Cadet Units which had received official recognition from County Associations on 1st August. First published 1911, then annually until 1922; in 1925, 1926 and 1928 with Amendments. **BS.45/105**

#### **1914-1919**

Officers died in the Great War, 1914-1919. pp.262. London, 1919. 8°. **9081.ff.8**

#### **1914-1919**

Soldiers died in the Great War, 1914-1919. London, 1920, etc. 8°. **9083.c**

#### **1915-1958**

Supplement to the monthly army list, May 1915-Apr. 1920 (issued monthly to Apr. 1917 and quarterly from July 1917). **BS.45/140** [Continued, after a break, as]

Quarterly supplement to the monthly army list, Dec. 1921 - June 1922. **BS.45/140** [Continued as]

Half-yearly supplement to the monthly army list, Dec. 1922-Dec. 1938. **BS.45/140** [Continued, after a break, as]

Annual supplement to the quarterly army list, 1948-1950 **BS.45/140.(2)** [Continued as]

Annual supplement to the army list, 1951-1958. **BS.45/140.(2)**

The (monthly) supplement was sub-titled Promotions, appointments, etc. gazetted and deaths of officers reported .; from July 1917, the Supplement changed its contents as well as its frequency and was then sub-titled List of officers of the regular army, etc. retained from the active list, VCs, Orders of Knighthood and foreign decorations, etc.; from Dec. 1921 the subtitle was List of officers of the Regular Army Reserve [etc.]; when the publication resumed as an annual in 1948, there was no sub-title but the contents remained as before. The British Library has bound the Supplements up to 1938 with the volumes of the Monthly army list and shelved them separately from 1948.

#### **1917-1918**

The Volunteer Force List. HMSO. July 1917, Oct. 1917, Jan. 1918, Aug. 1918, Oct. 1918. Issued for 'Official Use Only'. Editions indexed. Not found in BL catalogue.

#### **1919**

The Volunteer Force List for October, 1919. London, 1919. **BS.45/106**

#### **1949-1967**

The army list. By authority. Corrected to 15th November 1948.

(-1967) - London: HMSO, 1949 (-1967) **BS.45/97** [Continued in 2 parts as]

### **1968 to date**

The army list, etc. Part I [The active list], 1968 - (includes Gradation list, 1968-85)  
BS.45/97 1968 to date The army list, etc. Part II Officers in receipt of retired pay, 1968-  
(issued annually 1968-73, thereafter every 3 years with annual supplements in  
between). **BS.45/97**

Part III of the army list, the Gradation list, is a restricted publication, and is not held by  
the British Library

## **B. Ireland and Scotland**

### **1642**

A List of the Field Officers chosen ... for the Irish Expedition, by the Committee at  
Guildhall, etc. June 13, 1642. s.sh. fol. **190.g.13.(208)**

### **1661-1685**

Irish Army Lists, 1661-1685. Edited and annotated by C. Dalton. pp.xxxiv, 176. For  
private circulation : London, 1907. 8°. One of an edition of twenty copies. 8821.cc.4  
1661-1688 The Scots Army, 1661-1688 / by Charles Dalton. - London and Edinburgh,  
1909. **BS.45/134**

[Another copy]. **8821.cc.8**

### **1689**

Illustrations, historical and genealogical, of King James's Irish Army List (1689). By John  
D'Alton, 2nd ed, enlarged. Dublin : [the author], [1860]. 2 vols. **2400.c.1**

### **1702**

The Irish Pensioners of William III's Huguenot Regiments. 1702.

Transcribed [from the 'Abstract of the French pensioners now on the civil list of the  
establishment of Ireland'] and edited by W.A. Shaw ... From the Proceedings of the  
Huguenot Society of London, vol.vi. no.3. pp.32. Privately printed : Aberdeen, 1901. 8°. **8824.ccc.36**

### **1733-1752**

The Quarters of the Army in Ireland. Compiled by the clerks in the office of Capt.  
Theophilus Desbrisay, the Dublin army agent. Published in Dublin by George Faulkner in  
1733. **BS.45/146**

The 1734 edition included 'The Succession of Colonels to all the Regiments now in His  
Majesty's Service according to their Seniority. The Library's collection holds 1744,  
1745, and 1748-52. (wanting pp.1-6 of the no. for 1744). This continued to be issued as  
a separate publication until 1752, but is contained in the 1755 Dublin reprint of the  
Annual Army List **BS.45/136.(5) 1761**

A List of the Officers in the several Regiments and Independent Troops and Companies of Militia in Ireland; taken from the Books in the Secretaries Offices. Dublin, 1761. The only known copy is in the Armagh Public Library.

**1780**

A List of the General and Field Officers, as they rank in the Army; of the Officers in the several Regiments of Horse, Dragoons, and Foot, on the British and Irish Establishments. With an alphabetical index; the Royal Regiment of Artillery, and Corps of Engineers, the Irish, Artillery and Engineers, and the Marines on full and half pay ... To which is likewise added the officers of the fencible and provincial regiments in Great-Britain. Executors of David Hay, Assignee of the late Boulter Grierson : Dublin, 1780. 8°. pp.356. **BS.45/138**

**1782**

A List of the General and Field Officers, as they rank in the Army; of the Officers in the several Regiments of Horse, Dragoons, and Foot, on the British and Irish Establishments, etc. Executors of David Hay, Assignee of the late Boulter Grierson : Dublin, 1782. 8°. pp.346. **BS.45/138.(2)**

**1782**

The history of the volunteers of 1782 / by Thomas MacNevin. - Dublin, 1845  
**1156.a.9.(1)**

**1784-93**

A List of the Officers of the Army, with an alphabetical index; of the Officers of the Royal Artillery, the Engineers, the Marine Forces, and of the Officers on Half Pay; and a Succession of Colonels. Complete to 1st June, 1784 (1787; 1790; 1793). Abraham Bradley King : Dublin, [1784-93]. 8° **BS.45/139**

**1793**

A List of Officers for 1793 including Militia, appears in the Gentlemen's and Citizen's Almanac for 1794. Dublin, 1794. (Also known as Watson's Almanac, part of Treble Almanac). Other editions of this almanac give general & field officers only **PP.2513.h**

**1793-1801**

A List of the Officers of the Army and Marines, with an Index; a Succession of Colonels; and a List of the Officers of the Army and Marines on Half-Pay; also with an index. [1793;] 1798-1801. Dublin, 1793-1801. 8°. **BS.45/137**

**1797**

A List of the Officers of the several District Corps of Ireland, together with the dates of their respective commissions and an alphabetical index. Dublin, 1797. 8°. **BS.45/147**

**1797-1800**

List of the Officers of the Several Regiments and Battalions of Militia, and of the Several

Regiments of Fencible Cavalry and Infantry upon the Establishment of Ireland. 1797-1800. 4 vols. [Dublin, 1797-1800]. **BS.45/151**

**1841**

A Return of the Names of Colonels and other Officers ... relating to the Militia in Scotland, 1841; in the Parliamentary Papers 1841 (419) xiv 207 **BS.Ref.1**

**1891**

Curragh Camp & Newbridge-Official-Military Directory. Vice-Regal Court Circular, etc. no.154-156. Feb.-April 1891. Dublin, [1891]. 8°. **PP.2512.gab**

**1891**

The Official - Dublin Military Directory of Ireland Vice-Regal Court Circular, etc. Jan., March-May 1891. Dublin, [1891]. **PP.2512.gaa**

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**1805**

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**1896-1939**

The Monthly Official Portsmouth and Southern District Directory ... Edited by the Deputy Assistant Adjutant General (A.). no.240-498. Jan., 1896-Nov., 1917. [1896-1917]. 8° **PP.2486.kmi** [Continued as]

Monthly Naval, Military & Air Force Directory of Portsmouth & Head-Quarters ... Southern Command. (Edited by the Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quarter-Master General). no.1-75. April, 1920-June, 1926. **PP.2486.kmi** [Continued as]

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**1897-98**

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**1903**

Garrison Directory of the British Force in Egypt published by the authority of the General Officer Commanding, including Egyptian Army, Police & Government Officials, with a list of the principal residents and their addresses for 1904 [etc.]. Print. Office, S. Press : Cairo, [1903, etc.]. 8°. **PP.2578.me**

**1904-26**

Monthly Official Directory of the Woolwich District. no.508-630. June, 1904-Aug. 1914. F. J. Cattermole : Woolwich, [1904-14]. 8°.

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**1904-12**

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Military Directory of the South Eastern District. March 1904-Feb. 1905. Dover, 1904-05. 8°. Wanting the issue for Jan. 1905. **PP.2486.kmh** [Continued as]

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**1935-39**

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**D. Alphabetical lists of officers**

**1800-1850**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Eighty-fifth, Bucks Volunteers, the King's Light Infantry Regiment, from 1800 to 1850. London, 1851. **1326.f.18**

**1800-1850**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Eleventh Regiment of Hussars from 1800 to 1850. London, 1850. **1326.f.20**

**1800-1850**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Rifle Brigade from 1800 to 1850. London, 1851. **1326.f.17**

**1800-1851**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Seventy-ninth Regiment, or Cameronian Highlanders, from 1800 to 1851. London, 1852. **1326.d.11**

**1800-1851**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Royal Artillery from 1800 to 1851. London, 1851. **1326.f.15**

**1800-1852**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the 88th Regiment, or Connaught Rangers, from 1800 to 1852. London, 1852. **1326.f.16**

**1800-1854**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Grenadier Guards from 1800 to 1854. London, 1854. **1326.f.21**

**1800-1856**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Fourth (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards from 1800 to 1856. London, 1856. **8825.c.32.(10)**

**1800-1869**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Ninety-fourth Regiment, Scotch Brigade, from 1800 to 1869. London, 1869. **8826.ccc.25**

**1800-1905**

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**1802-1852**

An alphabetical list of the officers of the Yorkshire Hussars from the formation of the regiment to the present time. London, 1853. **1326.f.19**

**1850**

A list of field-m Marshals, flag, general and field officers, post captains, commanders, captains, lieutenants, cornets and ensigns of the naval and military forces of Her Majesty . on full or half pay . alphabetically arranged. London, 1850-51. **PP.2540.g**

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Vol. 1: Major ships (excluding trawlers, drifters, tugs etc.).

Vol. 2: Navy-built trawlers, drifters, tugs and requisitioned ships. **OPL359.320942**

#### **Start to 1986**

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#### **Start to 1989**

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#### **1642**

A CATALOGUE of the names of the dukes, marquesses, earles and Lords, that have absented themselves from the parliament and are now with His Majesty. And . a list of the Navie Royall and merchant ships . [London] 1642. **E.83.(9)**

[Another copy] **E.64.(4)**

#### **1645**

A LIST of such of the Navy Royall as also of the merchant ships as are set forth to sea for this summer's expedition, 1645, etc. . L. Blaiklock: London. 1645. **669.f.9.(36)**

#### **1646**

A LIST of such ships and frigotts of the Navy Royall, as also of such marchants shippes as are set forth to sea and prepared for the service of the King and parliament, in this summers expedition, 1646, etc. E. Husband: [London] April 21, 1646. **669.f.9.(58)**

#### **1647**

A LIST of such ships and frigots belonging to the parliament; as also of such marchants ships as are set forth to sea and prepared for the service of the parliament in this summers expedition, 1647, etc. E. Husband: London, May 20, 1647. **669.f.11.(13)**

**1660**

A LIST of all the ships and frigots of England, etc. M. Simmons: London, 1660. **103.i.54**

**1660**

The YOUNG Seaman's Guide; or the Mariners' Almanack for the year 1661, with a list of the ships of this Majesties Navy Royal; as also, a table of the monthly wages . By T. Gadbury. Printed for Fr. Cossinet. [1660]

**E.1924.(1) [Another copy] 534.a.35**

**1665**

A LIST of the perticulars of His Majesties Fleet as they are divided into squadron. London, 1665. **190.g.13.(227)**

**1666**

A LIST of the ships belonging to His Majesties Navy Royal: with the number of men and guns; and the dividing of them into three squadrons. Printed for G. Horton: London, 1666. **1474.dd.29**

**1670**

A MONTHLY account of cruizers, from the first of January to the first of November. (A monthly account of the Home-Convoys, etc.) [London? 1670?]. **8808.g.7**

**1672**

A LIST of His Majesties Navy Royal, hitherto designed in the present expedition against the Dutch, with the Commanders names, etc. T. Vere: London, 1672. s. sh. fol.

**190.g.13.(226)**

[Another copy] Bound in London Gazette after issue 674. **OG.E.70**

**1673**

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**1673**

An ACCOMPT of both the fleets [viz. British and Dutch], their number and stations . etc. [By T.H.] London, 1673. **BL.21/1.(9)**

**1689**

GLORIA Britannica; or, the boast of the British seas. Containing a true and full account of the Royal Navy of England, shewing where each ship was built, by whom, and when; its length; breadth, depth, draught of water, tuns, the number of men and guns . etc. [The preface signed: A.B.] London, 1689. **533.d.40**

[Another edition] London, 1689. **G.5083.(11)**

[A re-issue] 1689. **C.136.ee.5**

**1691**

VERDADERA lista, de los navios que contienen, las armadas de Ingalaterra, y Olanda, que salieron de las Dunas, el dia 15 de mayo del presente año 1691, en busca de la armada de Francia, etc. [1691] **1483.c.8**

**1693**

LISTE der königl Engelsen Krieges-Flotte, welche dieses 1693 Jahr in die see laufft. [1693]. **1865.c.4.(10)**

**1695**

An ACCOUNT of the sorts and numbers of ships and vessels now building for His Majesty: added to his Royal Navy, etc. . 1695. **C.121.g.6.(39)**

**1697**

The GLORY of the British seas, being a list of Royal Navy, etc. G. Croom: London, 1697. **816.m.24.(67)**

**1697**

A COMPLETE list of the Royal Navy of England, and of the ships and vessels belonging thereunto this 31st of December, 1697, etc. Sold by E. Whitlock: London, 1697/8. **1865.c.4.(132)**

**1706**

A TRUE list of the ships for the line of battle at Barcelona, April 29. 1706, the English with the larboard, and the Dutch with the starboard tacks on board. Printed by J. Read, [1706]. **C.141.a.2**

**1710**

A NEW list of all the ships and vessels of Her Majesties Royal Navy; . etc. London, 1710. **1508/1342**

**1711**

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**1724**

A LIST of His Majesties ships and vessels of the Royal Navy, etc. Navy Office 25th March 1724. [London, 1724]. **BS.1/190**

**1741**

A LIST of His Majesties Royal Navy, shewing when they were built and rebuilt, etc. .  
[London] J. Millan, [ca. 1741]. **BP.8/5.(1)**

**1741**

A LIST of His Majesties ships and vessels of the Royal Navy . London printed and sold by  
J. Watson 1741. Bound with The court kalendar 1741 **PP.2506.g**

**1742**

A LIST of His Majesties ships and vessels of the Royal Navy . London printed and sold by  
J. Watson 1742. Bound with: The court kalendar 1742. **PP.2506.g**

**1742**

The SUCCESSION of colonels [etc.] . To which is added a list of ye Royal Navy when  
built . tonnage, dimensions &c. pay, subsistance [etc.] . London : J. Millan, 1742.  
**BS.45/152.(1)**

**1742 (?)**

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**1744**

[Another ed.] 1744. London, 1745 **BS.45/152.(4)**

**1745(?)**

[Another ed.] 1745; date altered in MS to 1746 **BS.45/152.(4)**

**1747**

[Another ed.] 1747 **BS.45/152.(4a)**

**1749**

[Another ed.] 1749 **BS.45/152.(5)**

**1767**

The SEAMAN'S Vade-Mecum, and defensive war by sea: containing . list of the Navy  
[ie. Royal Navy Ships] By William Montaine. London: Printed for J. Mount and T. Page,  
1767. **1507/1356**

**1842**

LIST of Her Majesty's Navy. As furnished [to B.L. Watson] by order of . the Admiralty. in  
Watson's Code of signals for the use of vessels at sea . sixth edition. By B.L. Watson. H.  
K. Causton and Co: London 1842. **1805.a.19**

**1858**

A LIST of Her Majesty's ships in commission. March 1858. London, 1858. **BP.20/6**

**1858-59**

A LIST of Her Majesty's ships in commission. Jan. 1858 - June 1859. London, 1858, 59. **BS.1/155**

**1888-1903**

AIDE-MEMOIRE de l'officier de marine, par Edouard Durassier et Charles Valentino. Paris: 1888, 1893-1903. 12 vols. **08806.de**

**1896-1906**

The NAVAL pocket book London: W. Thacker and Co., 1896-1906. 10 vols., 1896, 1904, 1905 by Sir William Laird Clowes; 1898-1903 ed. L. G. Carr Laughton. 1906 ed. G. S. Laird Clowes. **PP.2486.ya**

**1897**

The SHIPS of the Royal Navy, with the meanings and pronunciations of their names. Woolley and Co.: Brompton, Kent [1897]. **8806.a.74**

**1899-1900**

LISTS of transports from U.K. ports to South Africa, compiled from best available sources. (1899-1900). London, 1900. **8808.i.5**

**B. Officers**

**Start to 1802**

NAVAL chronology; or, An historical summary of naval and maritime events from the time of the Romans to the Treaty of Peace, 1802 ., by Isaac Schomberg. London: J. Egerton, 1802. **293.k.24-29**

A new ed., rev. and corrected. London, 1815. **9010.b.11**

**Start to 1840**

LIVES of the British Admirals, with an introductory view of the Naval history of England. By Robert Southey. [continued by R. Bell] 5 vols. 1833-40. **12203.tt.1/25**

[Another copy of vol..1-4] London, 1833-37. **C.132.c.10**

**1626-1903**

CHAPLAINS of the Royal Navy, 1626-1903. By Arthur G. Kealy. Portsmouth [1905]. **08805.e.33**

**1642**

A LIST of His Majesty's Navie Royall and merchant ships, their names, captaines and lieutenants, their men and burthens . with an order [of Parliament] for the speedy rigging of the navie for the defence of the Kingdom. J. Rothevell: [London] 1642. **669.f.3.(50)**

**1642**

The TRUE list of His Majesties Navie Royall and merchant ships, their names, captains and lieutenants, their men . now setting forth . this year, 1642. J. Thomas: London [1642]. Similar list for 1641 not held. **669.f.3.(52)**

**1643**

A LIST of His Majesties Navie Royall, and Merchants Ships . now set forth for the guard of the narrow seas and for the coast of Ireland . 1643. Under the . Earle of Warwick, etc. L. Blaiklock: London, 1643. **669.f.7.(7)**

**1644**

A LIST of His Mayesties Navie Royale and merchant ships . now set forth for the guard of the narrow seas and for the coast of Ireland . L. Blaiklock: London, 1644. **669.f.9.(8)**

**1653**

A LIST of the Common-wealth of Englands Navie at sea, in their expedition in May, 1653; under the command of . Col. R. Deane and Col. G. Monke etc. M. Simmons: London, 1653. **669.f.17.(34)**

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**1653**

LYSTE vande gantsche Engelsche Vloot teghenwoordigh in zee zijnde, in't jaer M.DC.LIII . Ende mede de namen vande schepen, capiteynen, ende het ghetal van mannen, ende't geschut die sy voeren. s'Graven-Hage, 1653. **8122.e.5.(15)**

**1660-1760**

NAVAL commissioners from 12 Charles II to 1 George III. 1660-1760, compiled from original warrants and returns, by . Sir George Jackson, afterwards Duckett, etc. Printed for the author, Lewes, 1889. **8807.e.16**

**1660-1815**

The COMMISSIONED sea officers of the Royal Navy, 1660-1815. [Compiled by David Bonner Smith and edited by the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich]. [London, 1954]. typescript. 3 vols. **HLR359.332**

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[Rev. ed.] Ed. by David Syrett [and] R. L. DiNardo. Published by Scolar Press for the Navy Records Society. 1994. **OPL359.3320942**

**1671-1755**

A LIST of all the ships, frigats and vessels of His Majesty's Royal Navy, together with the rates, tuns, men and guns . [and] of the Navy Office where the whole business concerning the kings vessels of war is managed. [title varies]. In: Anglia notitia; or, the present state of England . The second part, by Edward Chamberlayne . [London]. 1671-[22nd ed.], 1707. **PP.3360**

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[Another copy] 38th ed. **979.i.9**

**1672**

A LIST of His Majesties Navy Royal hitherto designed in the present expedition against the Dutch, . April 30, 1672. T. Vere: London, 1672. **816.m.7.(67)**

**1673-1739**

A list of the captains of the Royal Navy with the dates of their first commission and the ships they took post in. Manuscript. **Add.MS.31242**

**1689**

LYSTE van de Koninklyke Vloot haarder Majesteyten, nu in Zee Zynde, met het getal der mannen eu Stukken, etc. Amsterdam, 1689. **8122.ee.12.(20)**

**1692**

AN EXACT list of their Majesties and the Dutch fleet for 1692. In: A Collection of scarce and valuable tracts, etc. 2nd edition, revised, etc. by Walter Scott. London, 1814.

Volume 11. **750.g.11**

[Another copy] **187.b.3-15**

[Another copy] **G.5831-43**

**1693**

An EXACT list of their Majesties and the Dutch fleet, design'd for the year 1693, etc. R. Baldwin: London, 1693. **Lutt.III.100**

[Another copy] **816.m.24.(62)**

**1694**

The LIST of the English Royal Navy, etc. J. Amery: London, 1694. **816.m.24.(63)**

**1700**

A LIST of the names of such lieutenants who served in His Majesty's fleet, during the late war, etc. . 18th of April, 1700. In the Savoy: printed by Edw. Jones. 1700.

**BO.7/2.(1)**

**1700**

A LIST of the names of such captains who served in His Majesty's fleet, during the late war, etc. . 18th day of April 1700. In the Savoy: printed by Eds. Jones, 1700. **BO.7/2.(1)**

**1702**

A GENERAL list of the captains of Her Majesty's fleet, with the dates of their first commissions as captains, from which they are allowed to take post. [1702]

**Add.MS.9332.(23)**

**1703**

Of SEA forces: a list of the Royal Navy. In: New State of England . with nearest and exactest lists of Her Majesty's officers in church and state . 1703, by G. Miège. 5th ed. London, 1703. [Section] III. **PP.3365**

**1704**

A GENERAL list of the captains of Her Majesty's fleet, with the dates of their first Commissions as Captains, etc. (Admiralty-Office, Aug. 18. 1704). [In the Savoy: printed by Edw. Jones, 1704?] **BO.7/2.(2)**

**1711**

A GENERAL list of the captains of Her Majesty's fleet, with the dates of their first commissions as captains from which they are allowed to take post. [1711].

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**1716**

A GENERAL list of the lieutenants of His Majesty's fleet, . Admiralty-Office, 19th June, 1716. [1716]. **Add.MS.5439.(16)**

**1732**

A LIST of Surgeons with the date of their first warrants. Navy Office 1 Nov. 1732. [London, 1732]. **BS.1/89**

**1741**

GENERAL list of His Majesty's land forces and marines, etc. . [London]: John Millan, [ca. 1741]. **BP.8/5.(4)**

**1742**

A NEW court register containing . 5. A list of all the ships in the Royal Navy in and out of commission, with the numbers of men and guns, and the commanders names . London: T. Cooper, 1794. Bound with Rider's British Merlin for the year . 1742 . London: R. Nutt. [1742]. **PP.2506.gac**

**1743-1809**

List of the army and navy. 1743 (-1809). In: Court and city register. London, 1742 (-1808) 67 vols. Wants 1745, 1748, 1767, 1789, 1794, 1806 and 1808; some other vols. Incomplete; several years have extra editions. **PP.2506.a**

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**1749**

A LIST of the reduced officers of His Majesty's Land Forces and Marines entitled to receive half pay in Great Britain [etc] . [London], 1749. **213.i.1.(105)**

**1760-1893**

ADMIRALS [etc.] . of the Royal Navy. In: The royal kalendar, or Correct annual register for England, Scotland and Ireland (afterward: The royal kalendar and court and city register). London, 1767-1893. **PP.2506.g.**

**1762-1793**

LIST of British flag officers on the active list, 1762-1793. In: The Royal Navy: a history . by Wm. Laird Clowes. London: Samson Low. Vol.3, 1898. **HLR359.00941**

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The ARCTIC Navy list, or a century of Arctic and Antarctic officers 1773-1873, together with a list of the officers of the 1875 expedition and their services, by Clements R. Markham. London, 1875. **10460.bbb.1**

**1780-1816**

A COMPLETE list of the Royal Navy: corrected to March 1780. London, 1780. Missing [Continued as]

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1783-1806 missing

**1783-1813**

A NEW and complete list of the Royal Navy of Great Britain. In: The London kalendar. London, 1783-1813. **PP.2506.k**

**1787-1837**

A LIST of flag officers of His Majesty's fleet with dates of commissions . London, 1787, 1795-1837. From 1810 headed Admiralty Office; From 1818 entitled ' . flag officers and other commissioned officers . ' **BS.1/91**

**1790-1886**

A LIST of the officers of His [Her] Majesty's marine forces . London, 1790-1886. At head: Admiralty Office. Some gaps. **BS.1/87**

**1793-1802**

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The NAVAL chronicle (containing a general and biographical history of the Royal Navy of the United Kingdom; with a variety of original papers on nautical subjects). Edited by J.S. Clarke, S. Jones, and J. Jones. London, 1799-1818. 40 vols. Contains various lists of officers and ships. **293.i.1-25 & 293.k.1-15**

**1803-1815**

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The annual army list, 1754-1868 **BS.45/136**

The monthly army list, 1798- (?)1958  
(quarterly, afterwards 3 per year, from 1940) **BS.45/140** Hart's quarterly army list, 1839-

1914 **PP.2486.lba**

Hart's annual army list, 1840-1915 **PP.2486.lb**

The quarterly army list, 1880-1948  
(half-yearly from 1922) **BS.45/104** The army list, 1949 to date (annual) **BS.45/97**

## **Navy**

Steel's navy list, 1780-1816 **BS.1/61**

The navy list, 1814-1949 (quarterly) **BS.1/62**

The monthly navy list, 1870-1924 **BS.1/62**

The navy list, 1949 to date (annual) **BS.1/64**

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