

warded with Knighthood, for his extraordinary Bravery, of which, during that long Reign, He gave frequent Instances, and so effectually established his Reputation, that, on the Accession of *Henry*, the Eighth, He was appointed to bear the royal Standard (*b*), an Office which, in that *Æra*, was considered not only as a Mark of particular Favour, but also, as a Testimony of the highest Confidence, and the greatest Respect.

*Henry*, having formed, against the *French*, an Alliance with *Ferdinand*, King of *Arragon*, and *Naples*, prepared for War, early in the Year, one Thousand, five Hundred, and Twelve. On this Occasion, the Command of the Fleet was given to Sir *Edward Howard*, now Lord High Admiral of *England*. He was attended by his three Brothers, *John*, *Anthony*, and *Leonard*; the Lords *Brooke*, *Willoughby*, and *Ferrers*; the Baron of *Burford*; Sir *Richard Cornwall*, Sir *Maurice Berkley*, Sir *William Sandes*, and other naval Officers (*c*). As the Reader hath already been presented with an Estimate of the Charge of the marine Forces, during the Reign of *Edward*, the Third (*d*), We shall, in this Place, enable Him to form an Idea of the Difference of the Allowance granted at the two Periods.

The King, by an Indenture, dated on the eighth of April, decreed to Sir *Edward Howard*, for his own Maintenance, Diet, Wages, and Rewards, ten Shillings, a Day. To Each of the Captains, for their Diet, Wages, and Rewards, eighteen Pence, a Day. To every Soldier, Mariner, and Gunner, five Shillings, a Month, for his Wages, and five Shillings for his

(*b*) Pat. I. Hen. VIII. p. 1. m. 24.

(*c*) Hall, folio 17.

(*d*) Vol. I. p. 246, 247.