

DNB: Admiral Sir John

Admiral Sir John Poo (sic!) Beresford, 1766 - 1844, natural son of Lord de la Poer (afterwards Marquis of Waterford), fought in Napoleonic wars, later MP for several constituencies. 'Early in 1814 he was appointed to the Royal Sovereign yacht, and on 24 April had the honour of carrying the King of France over to Calais ... In the following September he was sent to Rio de Janeiro to carry home the Prince Regent of Portugal. The prince, however, decided not to return to Lisbon at that time, and Beresford, after receiving from him the Order of the Tower and Sword, returned to England ...' Died at his seat at Bedale in Yorkshire.