

Le Dauphine, Brig, from Bayonne to Bourdeaux and Nantz, 200 Tons and 9 Men, laden with Timber for Ship Building; sent to Falmouth.  
Les Trois Soeurs, Chasse Marée, from Bayonne to Bourdeaux and Nantz, 74 Tons and 7 Men; sent to Falmouth.

## Merchant Vessels destroyed.

Le ———, Brig, from Nantz to Brest, 120 Tons and 14 Men, laden with Naval and Ordnance Stores, captured July 17, 1797; sunk in Hódierne Bay.  
Le Henrié, Sloop, from Nantz to Bourdeaux, 60 Tons and 3 Men, laden with Tar and empty Casks, captured July 17, 1797; burnt in Hódierne Bay.  
Le Fidelle, Brig, from Nantz to Brest, 150 Tons and 12 Men, laden with Wine and Wads, captured July 22, 1797; burnt in Hódierne Bay.  
L'Anne, Chasse Marée, from Bourdeaux to Noirmontier, 20 Tons and 5 Men, laden with Wine, captured July 30, 1797; sunk off L'Isle Dieu.  
La Marie Anne, Sloop, from L'Orient to Bourdeaux, 45 Tons and 7 Men, in Ballast, captured August 23, 1797; sunk in Quiberon Bay.  
Le Pierre, Sloop, from Rochfort to Brest, 75 Tons and 8 Men, laden with Cord Wood, captured August 23, 1797; burnt at L'Isle Dieu.

(Signed) JOHN BORLASE WARREN.

Admiralty-Office, September 14, 1797.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral King, in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Cork, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated on Board the Penguin Sloop, in Cork Harbour, the 8th of September, 1797.*

S I R,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that Le Fabius, French Privateer, of 20 Guns and 140 Men, out of Nantes, is just brought in by His Majesty's Ship Doris. Lord Ranelagh's Letter to me on the Subject is inclosed herein.

I have the Honor to be, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

ROB. KINGSMILL.

*Doris, off the Old Head of Kinsale, September 8, 1797.*

S I R

SINCE my last, acquainting you of the Capture of the Derrepente, a Spanish Privateer Lugger, I beg Leave to inform you, that in Latitude 46 deg. 40 min. N. Longitude 12 deg. W. I chased and captured the Fabius, a famous Privateer Ship, of Nantes, having on Board 16 Six-Pounders and 4 Twelve-Pounders, with 140 Men. She had been out Ten Days from Nantes, and had captured a small Portuguese Vessel only from Cork, bound to Lisbon.

I am, &amp;c.

RANELAGH.

*Vice-Admiral King, in Chief, Cork.*

*Copy of a Letter from Captain Thomas Wolley, Commander of His Majesty's Ship Arethusa, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Spithead, September 13, 1797.*

I AM to acquaint you, that on the 20th of August, being in Latitude 30 deg. 49 min. and Longitude 55 deg. 50 min. having in tow a Ship under Prussian Colours from Surinam, which I have detained,

suspecting her to be Dutch Property, we perceived, at Day-Light, Three Sail to Windward of us, One of which, deceived by our Appearance, bore down upon us, under French Colours, to within Half Gun-Shot, when she began to fire, which she continued for more than Half an Hour before she attempted to escape. We were, however, fortunate enough to have disabled her in that Time as to render her Endeavours fruitless. On striking she proved to be La Gaieté, French Corvette, of 20 French Eight-Pounders and 186 Men, commanded by M. Guinée, Enseigne de Vaisseau. She is a very handsome Ship, and quite new, this being her first Voyage. She left France in April last for Cayenne, which last Place she sailed from about Four Weeks before we fell in with her, in Company with the L'Espoir, a Brig of 14 Guns, who kept to Windward during the Action, and stood away as soon as she saw the Part of the Gaieté. They had not taken any Thing. I am sorry to have to add a List of Killed and Wounded.

*Return of Killed and Wounded on Board His Majesty's Ship Arethusa in the Action with La Gaieté, French Corvette, on the 20th of August, 1797.*

1 Seaman killed.

Mr. W. D. Morton, Captain's Clerk; lost his Leg.

2 Seamen wounded.

*Return of Killed and Wounded on Board La Gaieté, French Corvette, M. Guinée, Commander.*

2 Seamen killed;

8 Ditto wounded.

(Signed)

T. WOLLEY.

Admiralty-Office, September 16, 1797.

*Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Harvey, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at the Leeward Islands, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Prince of Wales, Fort Royal Bay, Martinique, July 25, 1797.*

S I R,

I AM to acquaint you, for the Information of their Lordships, that His Majesty's Ship Lapwing, the 6th Instant, being to Leeward of Montserrat, captured Le Veteran French Privateer Sloop, belonging to Guadaloupe, of 8 Guns and 24 Men; and the following Day captured La Dorad French Privateer Sloop; also belonging to Guadaloupe, of 4 Guns and 74 Men.

You will also be pleased to acquaint their Lordships, that His Majesty's Ship Roebuck captured, to Windward of Barbadoes, the 6th Instant, Le Batave Dutch Privateer Sloop, of 10 Guns and 54 Men, Five Days from Curacao, and had taken nothing.

*Whitehall, September 14.*

The King has been pleased to appoint George Leonard, Esq; to be Superintendent to the Trade and Fisheries on the Coasts of the Provinces and Islands in North America, from Gaspée, in the Gulph of the River St. Lawrence, unto and including the Bay of Passimacquoddy, comprizing the Waters of the Bay of Fundy, Chignecto and Minas, the Coasts of Nova Scotia and New Brunfwick, the Islands of St. John and Cape Breton, and the Madelaine Islands.