

the South Side, and the Harbour on the North; Captain Stevenson with the Gun Vessels on the Lake covering the Right Flank, and Captain Cochran, with the Sloops of War and Armed Boats, protecting their Left. The Position which the Major-General took up, and that occupied by our little Squadron, which has been since reinforced by the Diane, completed the Blockade of the Town. The Rear-Admiral gives great Commendation to the Honorable Captain Cochran, for the zealous and judicious Manner in which he executed the Service entrusted to him. Soon after our Ships entered the Harbour, the Enemy sunk several Vessels between our advanced Ships and their Vessels in the Port, to obstruct our further Progress to the Eastward, and moved their Frigates and Corvettes from Fig Tree Point close up to the Town.

General Menou finding himself closely pressed on the Eastward of the Town by the Commander in Chief, who had carried some of the Enemy's important Redoubts, and established strong Batteries against their entrenched Lines; and on the Western Side by Major-General Coote, who had, during the preceding Night, driven in several of their Out-posts, and advanced close up to an important Position which the Enemy seemed conscious of being unable to defend; sent out, on the Evening of the 26th, Proposals for an Armistice of Three Days to arrange Terms of Capitulation, which I have no Doubt will soon terminate in the Surrender of the Town.

I have the Honor to be, Sir, &c. &c. &c.

KEITH.

Admiralty-Office, November 17, 1801.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Rainier, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated on board the Arrogant, at Sea, March 31, 1801.*

SIR,

YOU will herewith receive, for their Lordships' Information, an Account of Vessels captured &c. by His Majesty's Ships in the Indian Seas between the 23d August 1800 and 31st March 1801.

I am, &c.

PETER RAINIER.

*A List of Enemy's Ships and Vessels captured or destroyed, with Recaptures made by His Majesty's Squadron in the Indian Seas, under the Command of Peter Rainier, Esq; Vice-Admiral and Commander in Chief, between the 23d August and 31st March 1801.*

Dutch Brig De Vrouw Elizabeth Christiana, of Six Guns, Twenty Men, and One Hundred and Twenty Tons, from Batavia, in Ballast: Taken off Batavia, August 23, 1800, by a Squadron of His Majesty's Ships under the Command of Captain Ball, of the Dædalus, on their Arrival at Batavia, consisting of the following Ships, viz. Dædalus, Captain Ball; Centurion, Captain Rainier; Braave, Captain Alexander; La Sybille, Captain Adam.

Dutch Sloop Vrouw Cornelia, of Six Guns, Ten Men, and Seventy Tons, from Batavia, Lading various: Taken off Batavia, August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

Five Dutch Brigs: Burnt in Batavia-Roads, August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

Two Dutch Ships, Nine Brigs, and Five Sloops, (besides Two Brigs and One Sloop towed by the Enemy into the Pier:) Scuttled in Batavia-Roads, August 23, 1800, by the Dædalus, Centurion, Braave, and La Sybille.

Dutch Ketch, (Name unknown,) of Four Guns, Thirty Men, and One Hundred and Twenty Tons, from Palambang, laden with sundry China Articles: Destroyed in Batavia-Roads, August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

Dutch Brig, (no Name,) of Six Guns, Six Men, and Three Hundred and Fifty Tons, in Ballast: Taken in Batavia-Roads, August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

A Coppered Brig, built by the Dutch Government, quite New, and pierced for Sixteen Guns, having Fourteen Six and Four-Pounders on board, named by Captain Ball the Admiral Rainier, of Sixteen Guns and One Hundred and Fifty Tons, in Ballast: Taken at Kuyper's Island, August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

Dutch Vessel, of Four Guns, Six Men, and Sixty Tons, in Ballast: Taken August 23, 1800, by Ditto.

Dutch Brig, (Name unknown,) of Six Guns, Twenty-five Men, and Four Hundred Tons, from Samarang, laden with Rice: Taken, August 25, 1800, by the Braave's Boats, Captain Alexander.

Dutch Brig, (no Name,) of Six Guns, Sixteen Men, and One Hundred Tons, from Samarang, laden with Rice: Taken, August 28, 1800, by La Sybille's Boats, Captain Adam.

Five Dutch Proas, from Batavia, in Ballast: Taken off Carawang, October 9, 1800, by La Sybille, Captain Adam.

Four Dutch Proas, armed with Swivels, from Batavia, laden with Rice: Taken off Carawang, October 15, 1800, by Ditto.

Four Dutch Proas, of Six Guns, Three Eight-Pounders mounted on Field Carriages, with Side Arms, &c. complete; Three Four-Pounders on Ship Carriages, with Twelve Rounds of Ammunition for Ditto, from Batavia, laden with Coffee: Taken off Maroondah, October 17, 1800, by Ditto.

Four Dutch Proas, from Batavia, laden with Sugar: Taken off Maroondah, October 18, 1800, by Ditto.

Twelve Dutch Proas, (Five of which were lost, with most of their Cargoes, bringing them to La Sybille,) from Batavia, laden with Coffee: Taken in a River between Carawang and Maroondah, October 19, 1800, by Ditto.

Three Dutch Gun-Boats and Two Coffee Boats: Taken in Carawang River, October 28, 1800, by the Brig Rainier, (armed by Captain Ball,) Lieutenant Dobbie.

Five Dutch Gun Boats: Burnt in Carawang River, October 28, 1800, being too much shattered by the Shot to bring off, by Ditto.

Dutch Accommodation Boat (belonging to the Governor): Taken in Carawang River, October 28, 1800, by Ditto.

French Coppered Sloop L'Atèle, Captain Surcouf, of Twelve Guns and Sixty Men, (pierced for Sixteen Guns, had been Ten Weeks from the Isle of France, and had taken Four Prizes,) from