

*His Majesty's Ship Dover, off the Island
of Amboyna, 10th February, 1810.*

SIR,
I INCLOSE a Letter from Captain Montagu, of the Caroline, giving an Account of his having captured, on the 3d Instant, the Dutch National Corvette Mandarine, of Sixteen Guns and Sixty-Six Men, which Ship also joined with the Cornwallis.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) EDWARD TUCKER.

*W. O'Brien Drury, Rear Admiral
of the Red, &c.*

*His Majesty's Ship Cornwallis, at
Sea, Feb. 3, 1810.*

SIR,
I HAVE the Honour to inform you, that after a Chace of Four Hours, and the exchanging a few Guns, the Dutch National Corvette Mandarine, mounting Sixteen Guns, and manned with Sixty-six Men, surrendered to the Cornwallis. She was victualled and stored for Four Months, had been out Three Weeks, and had taken nothing.

I am happy to add we had only One Man slightly wounded.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

W. A. MONTAGU.

*Edward Tucker, Esq; Captain of His
Majesty's Ship Dover.*

*His Majesty's Ship Dover, off
Amboyna, Feb. 10, 1810.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to inclose Two Letters from Captain Montagu of His Majesty's Ship Cornwallis, one giving an Account of the Destruction of the Dutch Fort at Boolo Combo, on the Celebes, by a Detachment of Troops, Seamen, and Marines landed from that Ship, under the Command of Captain Forbes, of the Madras European Regiment. And the other an Account of a very spirited and successful Attack upon a Dutch Brig lying under the Dutch Fort at Manippa, by Three Boats belonging to the Cornwallis, commanded by Lieutenant Vidal. On both Occasions your Excellency will perceive that the greatest Judgment and Gallantry were displayed by the Officers and Men employed.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) EDW. TUCKER.

Rear-Admiral O'Brien Drury, &c.

*His Majesty's Ship Cornwallis, Bouthian
Bay, January 17, 1810.*

SIR,

I beg Leave to inform you, that on my Arrival in the Bay of Bouthian, I sent a Flag of Truce to the Officer commanding the Fort of Boolo-Combo, requesting Permission to water the Ship; this he positively refused; in consequence of which I landed a Detachment of One Hundred Men, under Captain Forbes of the Madras European Regiment, with a Field Piece, to take the Fort, which they continued to defend until the Troops were within Two Hundred Yards of the Breach; the Europeans, having Horses ready, fled to a small Fort at Bouthian, and the Native Soldiers, amounting to Two Hundred, took refuge in the Woods, and continued to annoy us during our Stay, so that I am sorry to say we had One Man killed and Nine wounded, among the latter Captain Forbes slightly.

The Fort contained Eight Nine-Pounders, and Two Brass Field Pieces, defended by Thirty Dutch Soldiers, and the Two Hundred Natives already mentioned.

Eleven small Vessels, from Twenty to Fifty Tons, (hauled up under its Protection) we burnt, and previous to abandoning the Fort, we spiked the Guns, brought off the Ammunition, and burnt the Public Buildings.

I annex a List of the Killed and Wounded.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) W. A. MONTAGU.

*Edward Tucker, Esq; Captain of His
Majesty's Ship Dover.*

A List of Killed and Wounded.

John Smith, Private in the Honourable Company's Coast Artillery, killed.

Captain Forbes, of the Madras European Regiment, and Commander of the Detachment, slightly wounded.

J. B. Butter, Private in the Royal Marines, wounded.

Thomas Manatta, Private in the Madras European Regiment, wounded.

Thomas Metcalf, ditto, wounded.

James Brannan, ditto, wounded.

Timothy Foy, ditto, wounded.

Thomas Foot, ditto, wounded.

Samuel Armstrong, ditto, slightly wounded.

William Hickle, Private in the Honourable Company's Coast Artillery.

*His Majesty's Ship Cornwallis, Manippa;
1st February, 1810.*

SIR,

PERCEIVING a Brig lying under the Fort at Manippa with Dutch Colours flying, I sent a Cutter, Yawl, and Jolly Boat to bring her out; This Service was performed with great Judgment by Lieutenant Vidal, under a heavy Fire of Mufquetry and Grape, the Vessel not lying above Half Pistol Shot from the Shore. She had a Cargo of Turtle, Fowls, Fruit, and Sago on board, bound to Amboya; and as this afforded a seasonable Supply to the Ship's Company, I destroyed the Vessel, and appropriated the Cargo for their Use.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) W. A. MONTAGU.

*Edward Tucker, Esq; Captain of
His Majesty's Ship Dover.*

His Majesty's Ship Dover,

Amboyna Roads, 28th Feb. 1810.

SIR,

I HAVE the Pleasure to acquaint you, that the Enemy's Ships and Vessels as under-mentioned, have fallen into our Hands, since the Surrender of this Island, richly laden from Souronbaya, with Supplies of every Kind, for the Government of Amboyna, Banda, and Ternatte.

Ship Patman Damvers, of 360 Tons.

Ship Patholgair, of 450 Tons.

Brig Charlotte, of 50 Tons.

Ketch Salo Sala, of 80 Tons.

I have, &c.

(Signed) EDWARD TUCKER, Captain.

*Rear-Admiral Drury, Commander in
Chief, &c.*