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FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE—March 24.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral LORD GARDNER, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels on the Coast of Ireland, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated at Cork the 8th inst.

SIR,

I AM to desire you will please to acquaint the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that his Majesty's ship Dryad arrived here this morning; and, enclosed, I transmit you, for their Lordships information, copy of a letter just received from Captain Mansfield, of this date, giving an account of his having captured the French privateer ship Le Premier Consul, pierced for twenty-four guns, one hundred and fifty men. She is quite new, and would make a good sloop of war.

I am, &c. GARDNER.

My LORD, Dryad, Cork Harbour, 8th of March 1801.

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship, on the 5th March, after a chase of three hours, in latitude 50. six min. north, longitude 12. deg. west, I fell in with and captured the French privateer ship Le Premier Consul, mounting fourteen nine-pounders, but pierced for twenty-four, one hundred and fifty men, from St Maloes, out twenty-one days. She is quite new, and on her first cruize; had captured a Portuguese schooner, from Lisbon bound to Ireland, a few days before.

I have the honour to be, &c.

C. J. M. MANSFIELD.

Admiral Lord Gardner, &c.

Copy of a Letter from Captain ROGERS, of his Majesty's ship Mercury, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated Port Mahon, 16th January 1801.

SIR,

I BEG leave to enclose to you, for their Lordships information, in the absence of the Com-

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mander in Chief, a copy of my letter to Captain Dixon, of his Majesty's ship Genereux, stating the capture of a convoy of the enemy's ships and vessels by his Majesty's ship under my command.

I have the honour to be, &c.

THOMAS ROGERS.

SIR, Mercury, off Minorca, Jan. 15, 1801. I HAVE the pleasure to acquaint you, that on the 6th instant; cruizing agreeably to your orders, I fell in with a convoy of about twenty sail of the enemy, from Cette bound to Marseilles; and from the activity and exertions of the officers and men employed in the boats, the weather being nearly calm, I had the good fortune to capture and secure fifteen of them, as per margin\*, without any loss of men, very little resistance being made by the vessels their escort, consisting of gun-boats, having fled upon the Mercury's approach.

The prizes are all deeply laden with brandy, sugar, corn, wine, oil, and other merchandize; and I have the satisfaction to add they are safe arrived at Port Mahon.

I am, Sir, &c.

THOMAS ROGERS

To Manley Dixon, Esq. Captain of his Majesty's ship Genereux, &c.

\* 2 ships, 4 brigs, 3 bombards, 2 settees, and 4 tartans.

Copy of another Letter from Captain ROGERS, of his Majesty's ship Mercury, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated Port Mahon the 22d January 1801.

SIR,

IN the absence of the Commander in Chief I beg leave to enclose to you, for their Lordships information, a copy of letter, of this date, to Captain Dixon, of his Majesty's ship Genereux, (whose orders I am under, and who is also absent,) stating the capture of La Sans Pareille French National corvette, by his Majesty's ship under my command.

I have the honour to be, &c.

THOMAS ROGERS.

Mercury, off Port Mahon, 22d of January 1801.

SIR,

I PUT to sea agreeably to my intention, signified to you, in my letter of the 17th inst. the moment our prizes were moored in safety, which was on the morning of the 19th; the day following I fell in with a ship (the island of Sardinia bearing E. S. E. forty leagues) which I soon discovered to be an enemy; and after a chase of nine hours, blowing very fresh, I had the satisfaction to come up with and capture; she is called La Sans Pareille, French national corvette, commanded by Citoyen Gabriel Renault, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, mounting eighteen long brass nine-pounders and two howitzers, and having on board a complement of fifteen men; she sailed from Toulon the day before her capture, and was bound to Alexandria, in Egypt, quite laden with shot, arms, medicines, and supplies of every kind for the French army, and is as complete a vessel in every respect as I have seen, being quite new, and well found with stores of every description.

I am, &c.

THO. ROGERS.

Captain Dixon, Genereux.

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant JAMES MEIN, commanding his Majesty's schooner Netley, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated River Tagus, 26th of February 1801.

SIR,

I BEG leave to enclose, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the copies of two letters addressed to Admiral Lord Keith.

I am &c.

JAMES MEIN.

Netley, River Tagus, 26th of February 1801.

My LORD,

I BEG leave to inform your Lordship of his Majesty's schooner under my command having, on the 9th inst. ten leagues S. W. of Oporto, captured the Spanish lugger privateer St Francisco la Paula, armed with two carriage guns, four swivels, and manned with thirty-one men.

I am, &c.

JAMES MEIN.

Right Hon. Lord Keith, K. B. &c.