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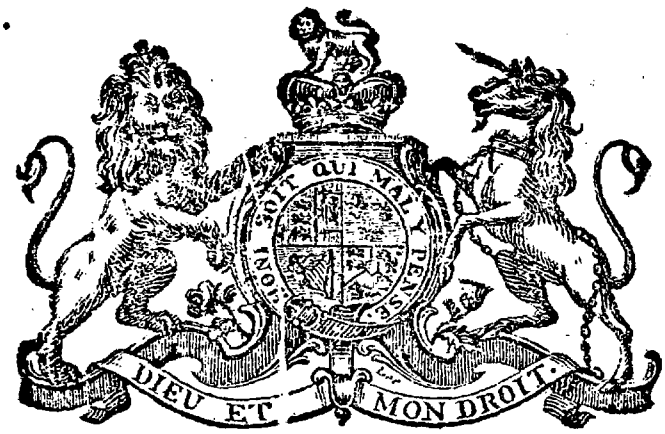

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A Letter, of which the following is a Copy, from the Admiral Earl Howe to Mr. Stephens, supplementary to his Lordship's Letter of the 2d Instant, published in the London Gazette Extraordinary of the 11th, was received late last Night.

IN the Extract of the Journal herewith enclosed, the Proceedings of the Fleet are stated from the Time of leaving St. Helen's on the 2d of last Month to that of the first Discovery of the French Fleet on the 28th of the same. For the farther Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, I have now therefore to relate the subsequent Transactions not already communicated in my Dispatch of the 2d Instant, to be delivered by my First Captain, Sir Roger Curtis.

Early in the Morning of the 28th, the Enemy were discovered by the advanced Frigates, far distant on the Weather Bow. The Wind then fresh from the S. by W. with a very rough Sea.

They came down, for some Time, in a loose Order, seemingly unapprized that they had the British Fleet in View. After hauling to the Wind when they came nearer, they were some Hours before they could completely form in regular Order of Battle upon the Starboard Tack; the British Fleet continuing as before in the Order of Sailing.

The Time required for the Enemy to perfect their Disposition, had facilitated the nearer Approach of His Majesty's Fleet to them, and for the separately appointed and detached Part of it, commanded by Rear-Admiral Pasley, to be placed more advantageously for making an Impression on their Rear.

The Signals denoting that Intention being made, the Rear-Admiral, near upon the Close of Day, led his Division on with

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