

tion of the said Commissioners, by the Production, within a Time to be fixed by the said Commissioners, and specified in the Bond, of a Certificate or Certificates, in such Form and Manner as shall be directed by the said Commissioners, shewing that the said Articles have been duly landed at the Places for which they were entered Outwards. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary Directions herein, as to them may respectively appertain.

W. Fawcener.

Admiralty-Office, January 30, 1798.

*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, Carlisle Bay, Barbadoes, the 15th of December, 1797.*

S I R,

I Have to acquaint you, for the Information of their Lordships, that Captain Western, in His Majesty's Ship Tamer, has captured the undermentioned French Privateers, belonging to Guadaloupe, and sent them into this Bay. The first was taken on the 4th Instant, the latter the 7th, a few Leagues to Windward of Barbadoes.

Le Dragon Schooner, of 12 Guns and 80 Men.

Le Dix-huit de Fruictidor Sloop, of 10 Guns and 75 Men.

Their Vessels are very fast Sailers, and were well equipped. The former had taken an American Brig, which was recaptured by the Tamer: The latter had been out Five Days, and had taken nothing.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

HEN. HARVEY.

Admiralty-Office, January 30, 1798.

*Copy of a Letter from Admiral Sir Richard King, Bart. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Plymouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated on Board the Cambridge, in Hamoarze, the 26th of January, 1798.*

S I R,

I Herewith transmit, for their Lordships Information, a Letter from Lieutenant Burdwood, commanding His Majesty's hired Cutter the Penelope, acquainting me of his having captured La Venturer French Cutter Privateer, with which he arrived this Day.

I am, &c.

R. KING.

*Penelope Cutter, January 26, 1798.*

S I R,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, that on Wednesday the 24th Instant, the Start bearing N. N. W. Ten Leagues, I captured the French Cutter La Venturer, mounting 2 Three-Pounders, 6 Swivels, and Small Arms, pierced for 8 Guns, carrying 33 Men; Three Days from Pleinpoul, not having made any Captures.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

DANIEL BURDWOOD.

*Admiral Sir Richard King, Bart.*

Admiralty-Office, January 30, 1798.

*Copy of a Letter from Captain Moore, of His Majesty's Ship Melampus, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated in Cawsand Bay, the 27th of January, 1798.*

S I R,

YOU will please to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, on the 23d Instant, in Latitude 50 deg. North, Longitude 12 deg. West, after a close but short Action, we captured La Volage, a French Ship Corvette, lent to the Merchants, mounting 20 Nine-Pounders and 2 Eighteen-Pounders, and 195 Men, commanded by Citizen Desageneaux, Captain of a Frigate.

I am sorry to say, that Two of the Melampus's Seamen were mortally wounded, and are since dead, and Three more dangerously wounded. The Enemy had Four killed and Eight wounded.

The Officers and Ship's Company of His Majesty's Ship under my Command behaved perfectly to my Satisfaction.

La Volage was Three Weeks from Nantz, fitted for a Three Months Cruize, but had only taken an American Ship, and destroyed an English Brig from Belfast, bound to Lisbon with Coals.

The Captain and all the Officers of La Volage are Navy Officers, with a Congé for Three Months.

I am, &c.

GRAHAM MOORE.

Admiralty-Office, January 29, 1798.

*Copy of a Letter from Admiral Earl St. Vincent, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Lisbon, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Ville de Paris, in the Tagus, January 10, 1798.*

I Enclose, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, Letters I have received from the Captains of His Majesty's Ships L'Aigle, Blanche and Mercury, and Speedy Sloop, acquainting me with the Captures they have lately made: Three of those taken by L'Aigle, (the fourth being retained as a Tender, Le Bayonnois, taken by the Blanche, and Le Benjamin, by the Mercury, are safe arrived in this River.

I am, &c.

ST. VINCENT.

*Extract of a Letter from Captain Tyler, of His Majesty's Ship L'Aigle, to Admiral Earl St. Vincent, dated off Cape Finisterre, December 23, 1797.*

ON the 26th Instant I chased into the Bay of Corunna Three Vessels, and captured them, the Aurora in Company. I left her in Charge of the Prizes, while I chased a suspicious Sail to the Westward. This Morning I fell in with Two of the Prizes, the third, a Brig laden with Timber, unfortunately overfet this Morning, while I was in Chace of them; however, the Men were saved; the other two have Hemp, Coals and Nails. On the 30th of last Month I captured a French Privateer, of 4 Guns and 52 Men; she had taken Three English Merchant Ships, and sent one into Lach Bay. I sent Mr. Tritton, the Master, and 20 Men, to cut her out. The same Evening he captured a Spaniard, laden with Sardinias, and sent her for Lisbon.