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Admiralty-Office, March 5, 1798.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Sir Richard King, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Plymouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated March 3, 1798.

S I R,

I Herewith transmit, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter I received this Day from Captain Manby, of His Majesty's Ship Charon, acquainting me of his having captured a French Lugger Privateer, named L'Alexandrine, carrying 4 Swivels, 1 Carriage Gun, and 28 Men.

I am, &c.

R. KING.

His Majesty's Ship Charon, off Torbay, March 2, 1798.

S I R,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, for the Information of their Lordships, that this Morning, the Bury Head being N. 6. W. 2. Leagues, I chased for Three Hours, and captured a fast-sailing Lugger Privateer, called L'Alexandrine, commanded by Anselme Septan, belonging to Brest, but last from Morlaix, mounting 4 Swivels and 1 Carriage Gun, with 28 Men; out Six Days, but had not taken any Thing.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

THO. MANBY.

To Admiral Sir Richard King, Bart. &c. &c. &c. at Plymouth.

Admiralty-Office, March 6, 1798.

Extraß of a Letter from Admiral Sir Peter Parker, Bart. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Portsmouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated the 4th Instant.

I Nclosed is a Letter from Captain Bowyer, of the Camelion Sloop, which I received this Morning by the Officer who brought in La Souffleur French Privateer, captured by the said Sloop on the 2d Instant.

Camelion, March 3, 1798.

S I R,

I Beg Leave to inform you, that, on Thursday the 1st March, at Ten A. M. Guernsey bearing South Eight Leagues, I observed a Cutter, gave Chace, and at Half past Five P. M. it falling little Wind, and by the Help of her Oars she escaped under the Forts on the Isle of Bafs. If I had got Three Leagues more Distance to run I should have captured her. At Three A. M. of the 2d, saw a Cutter, gave Chace, and at Four took Possession of her. She proves to be the Souffleur, Thirteen Days from Cherbourg, mounting 4 Carriage Guns, 2 Swivels, and 40 Men, and having captured this Cruize the Vessels, as underneath, Three of the Masters being on Board me; and I am in Hopes to retake some of those Vessels, the Wind being South.

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

R. R. BOWYER.

P. S. I have sent the Privateer into Port, and going in Chace.

Peggy Sloop, of Cardigan, James Prichard, Master, from Dover to Pezance, with Wheat and Barley.

Camilla Brig, John McKenzie, Master, from Hull to Plymouth, with Coals.

Delaval, Charles Mann, Master, from Sunderland, loaded with Coals, bound to Plymouth.

Betsey, of Guernsey, Thomas Townsend, Master, from Guernsey, bound to Plymouth, with Wine.

Whitehall, March 6, 1798.

The King has been pleased to grant unto James Hamlyn, of Edwinstord in the County of Carmarthen, Esq; Captain of the East Devon Militia, (only Son and Heir Apparent of Sir James Hamlyn, of Clovelly Court, in the County of Devon, Baronet, by Arabella, his late Wife, deceased, youngest of the Two Daughters and Coheirs of Thomas Williams, late of Edwinstord aforesaid, Esq; also deceased) His Royal Licence and Authority, that he, and his Issue, may, in compliance with the last Will and Testament of his said Maternal Grandfather the said Thomas Williams, take and use the Surname and