

strong off Shore, and a Lee Tide, prevented the Bombs from taking their Stations accordingly. At Daylight this Morning another Squadron of the Enemy's Gun-Boats (Twenty-five in Number) were discovered coming from the Eastward; immediately proceeded to attack them, and, after a severe Cannonade for nearly Three Hours, they anchored in the Situation with the Vessels last Night, with the Loss of Two of them, they having been driven on Shore, and bilged upon the Rocks. There are at present Fifty-five Gun-Vessels at an Anchor outside the Pier of Boulogne. I am happy to add that I have not received Reports of any material Injury being done to any of the Squadron under my Command:—a Shell fell on board the Leda, which burst in her Hold, doing little Injury to the Ship, and without hurting a Man.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) ROB. HONYMAN.

Rear-Admiral Montagu, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, October 1, 1803.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, to Sir Ewan Nepean, Bart. dated on board His Majesty's Ship Victory, off Toulon, August 10 1803.

SIR,

I Herewith transmit you, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, Copy of a Letter from Captain Donnelly, of His Majesty's Ship Narcissus, giving an Account of the Capture of the French National Brig of War L'Alcion.

She appears to be a remarkably fine Vessel, fit for His Majesty's Service.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

NELSON and BRONTE.

His Majesty's Ship Narcissus, at Sea,
9th July 1803.

I HAVE the Honor to inform your Lordship, the Ship I command being off the Island of St. Peter's, near Sardinia, Yesterday Morning, at Daylight, a Sail was discovered in the South-West Quarter, to which we gave Chase, and, at Two o'Clock this Morning, captured her, after a Pursuit of Twenty-two Hours; upon boarding we found her to be the French National Brig of War L'Alcion, of Sixteen Guns and Ninety-six Men, commanded by Captain Lacree, returning from Alexandria, where she had been on a particular Mission. She appears to be one of the finest Vessels of her Class I have seen; is built upon a new Construction, sails prodigiously fast, is well equipped, and only One Year old.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

ROSS DONNELLY.

Vice-Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson,
&c. &c. &c.

Whitehall, September 6, 1803.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Meyrick Holme, of Winstanley, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, Esquire, his Royal Licence and Authority, that he and his Issue may assume, take, and use the Surname of Bankes only, instead of the Surname of Holme, and bear the Arms of

the Family of Bankes, of Winstanley, out of grateful Respect for the Memory of his Relation William Bankes, late of Winstanley aforesaid, Esquire, deceased; such Arms being first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Heralds' Office:

And also to order, that this, His Majesty's Concession and Declaration be registered in His College of Arms.

Navy Office, September 26, 1803.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 5th of next Month, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, Commissioner Hope will expose to Sale at the Pay Office, in His Majesty's Yard at Chatham, several Lots of Old Stores, consisting of

Decayed Canvas,
Hammocks and Haverfacks,
Old Rope in Paper-Stuff,
Ditto in Junk,
Ditto in Shakings,
Old Mats, Plats, &c.
Old Pump Chain and Iron Pots,
Leather Buckets,
Toppets,
Hemp Rubbish,
Tar Barrels and Oil Casks;

all lying in the said Yard; where any Persons, wishing to become Purchasers, may have the Liberty of viewing the same, during the common working Hours of the Yard, until the Day of Sale.

Inventories and Conditions of Sale may be had here and at the Yard. R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

Navy Office, September 28, 1803.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 12th of next Month, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat for the Freight of about 400 Tons of Naval Stores from His Majesty's Yard at Deptford to Antigua.

The Ship to sail with Convoy.

No Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock on the Day of Treaty, nor any noticed, unless the Party, or an Agent for him, attends.

R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

SUGARS.

FOR Sale, by Order of the Honorable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long-Room, at the Custom-House, London, on Thursday the 6th of October next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 Casks each,

H.	T.	B.
50	—	Barbadoes.
84	6	Antigua.
30	9	St. Kitts.
10	2	Nevis.

The Samples to be viewed at Wycherly's Yard, opposite Bear Quay, on Wednesday the 5th and Thursday the 6th October next.

Plymouth, September 20, 1803.

Notice is hereby given, that an Account of Sales of the Proceeds of the Brig Pruyssicke Koopman, captured by His Majesty's Ship Cormorant, on the 29th May 1798, will be delivered into the Registry of the High Court of Admiralty agreeably to Act of Parliament.

John Johns, Agent.