

Infant, captured the French Lugger Privateer Le Lionnais, of Dunkirk.

I am, &c. T. M. RUSSELL.

*His Majesty's Gun-Brig Vixen, at Sea, December 8, 1803.*

SIR,

I BEG to make known to you, that this Day, at Four P. M. Lowestoffe bearing N. W. Distance Eight Leagues, His Majesty's Gun-Brig under my Command, captured Le Lionnais French Cutter Privateer, Jean Joley, Commander, of Twenty-one Tons Burthen, mounting Two Carriage Guns, with small Arms, and a Complement of Twenty-one Men, out Four Days, but had not made any Capture.

On removing the Crew I found the Vessel in fo bad a State, with every Appearance of blowing Weather, that I deemed it prudent to destroy her.

I am, &c. PHILIP BROWNE.

Rear-Admiral Russell.

Admiralty-Office, December 20, 1803.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Patton to Sir Evan Nepean, Bart. dated in the Downs the 19th Instant.*

SIR,

THE Basilisk Gun-Vessel has arrived, having captured a French Gun-Boat: A Copy of Lieutenant Shephard's Letter you will receive acerewith.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

PHILIP PATTON.

*His Majesty's Gun-Brig Basilisk, December 18, 1803.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to acquaint you, that, cruifing off Calais, agreeable to my Orders from Rear-Admiral Montagu, I this Morning, at Day-light, chased a Lugger, and at Noon came up with and captured the French National Gun-Boat No. 436, mounting One Brass Eighteen-Pounder Forward, and a Howitzer Aft, commanded by Lewis Sautoin, Ensign de Vaiffeau, with Seven Sailors and a Captain, and Twenty-seven Soldiers of the 36th Regiment of the Line. She failed the Day before from Dunkirk for Boulogne.

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

(Signed) W. SHEPHEARD.

Philip Patton, Esq; Vice-Admiral of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

TRANSLATION of a Publication by which the Royal Department of Customs at Copenhagen informs all Navigators, that from the 1st Day of January 1804, a new Light House will be lighted at a Place called Agnes Pynten, near Drontheim in Norway.

FOR the Safety of Vessels sailing to or from Drontheim, a Light-House, with Lanthorns, has been erected upon Agnes Pynten, which will in future remain lighted every Year from the 1st of September to the 15th of April inclusive, from Half an Hour after Sunset to Sunrise:—It will be lighted for the first Time on the 1st January 1804.

This Lanthorn having a Circle round it painted Red, is placed on the Northernmost Point of Agnes Pynten at an Elevation of about Sixty Feet from the Surface of the Water, a little to the Eastward

of the small Bay, where the Farm named *d'Agnes* is situated, and at not more than Six Hundred Ells Distance from the said Farm.

*Ringfluen*, the most dangerous Rock to the Eastward of *Agnes Pynten*, is about Two Hundred Fathoms to the E. half S. of the Light. And *Graasfluen*, or the Rock to the Westward of *Agnes Pynten*, is situated, as also the Church of *Oelands* to the N. and by W. of the Light, at precisely Three Hundred and Sixty Ells from it.

The Island of *Garten* is to the W. N. W. and the Seignorial Land of *OEserraad* to the N. N. E. of the Light.

So that Vessels coming from the Westward, and making for Drontheim, have the Island of *Garten* on their North, and are certain of seeing the Light-House of *Agnes*, and may then steer their Course for the Entrance until the Light-House is on their South by the Compass, when they are to tack towards the Light, and sail direct for Land until within Thirty Fathoms of it;—they must then keep along Shore in order to pass with Safety the *Ringfluen* or Rock to the Eastward, which is situated at from One Hundred and Twenty to One Hundred and Thirty Fathoms to the N. E. half E. from the North of the Point.

Vessels sailing from East to West may, when the Light-House is upon their West half South, safely tack, and pursue a straight Course.

When the Wind is contrary and Vessels are in Sight of the Light-House, (so long as the Weather will permit their sailing, and that the Fog or Snow do not prevent them from seeing the Light-House,) they may sail, on tacking to and fro, in perfect Safety till Daylight appears.

Given at the Royal Council of Customs, at Copenhagen, the 15th November 1803.

[ Here follow the Signatures. ]

#### OFFICE FOR TAXES, SOMERSET-PLACE.

December 20, 1803.

PURSUANT to an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of His present Majesty's Reign, Notice is hereby given, That the Price of Three per Centum Reduced Bank Annuities, sold at the Bank of England on this Day, was £.54 and under £.55 per Centum.

By Order of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, Matthew Winter, Secretary.

#### ARTIFICERS WANTED.

A Considerable Number of Smiths, Wheelers, and Carpenters being wanted for the Ordnance Service at Woolwich; Able Workmen in the above Lines of Business may find Employment, upon Application at the Carriage Yard, in Woolwich Warren, where Information may be obtained with Respect to Wages, and the Advantages of being in the Ordnance-Employ.

#### ARMY CONTRACTS.

Commissary General's Office, Dec. 9, 1803.

Notice is hereby given, that the Commissary General is ready to receive Proposals for supplying such of His Majesty's Troops as may be encamped in the course of the ensuing Year in the following Districts, with Bread, Forage, Fuel, and Straw, such Proposals to be sent in, on or before the 6th of January 1804, observing that none will be received after Twelve