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Admiralty-Office, September 4, 1804.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Mungo Gilmor, Commander of the East India Company's Ship the *Eliza Ann*, to William Marsden, Esq; dated off the Start Point the 31st August 1804.

S I R,

HAVING failed from St. Helena on the 9th of July with the Union and Sir William Pultney Extra India Ships, put under my Command as Senior Officer, by Order of Governor Patton, I have the Honor to acquaint you, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that on the 22^d of August, being in the Lat. 48 Deg. 5 Min. North, and Long. 13 Deg. West, at Daylight, a French Brig Privateer came down upon us; and at Eight A. M. engaged the Union, she being the headmost Ship, and struck upon the *Eliza and Ann*, and the Sir William Pultney's coming up, after an Action of about Twenty Minutes; she proved to be *La Venus*, mounting Sixteen Guns, Four, Eight, and Twelve-Pounders, with Sixty-eight Men on board, (of her Crew,) commanded by Captain Piere Henry Nicholas Benamy, a Lieutenant in the French Navy, out Eleven Days from St. Ander, had recaptured a Spanish Luggur and Sloop, detained by His Majesty's Sloop *Wasp*; Five Men of her Crew were Prisoners on board: In the Action the Privateer had One Man killed, and Two badly wounded.

The Privateer parted Company from us in the Night of the 29th, to the Westward of Scilly, and I am in Hopes she will get safe into Port, having only Three Prisoners left on board, the Rest being on board of our Ships.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

MUNGO GILMOR.

La Venus had Seventy-three Men on-board when she failed, and was fitted out for a Cruize of Forty or Fifty Days.

War-Office, September 4, 1804.

3^d Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Philip Zachariah Cox, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Brice, promoted.

4th Ditto, Major Francis Sherlock, from the 8th

Foot, to be Major, vice French, who exchanges.

12th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Lieutenant Francis Hawker to be Captain of a Troop, without Purchase.

Cornet Malcolm M'Neill to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

Charles Edward Kennedy, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Kelly, promoted.

16th Ditto, Lieutenant William Boyce to be Captain of a Troop, without Purchase.

Cornet ——— Macintosh to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

Clement Tudway, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Macintosh.

17th Ditto, Lieutenant James Hellings to be Captain of a Troop, without Purchase.

Cornet James Richard Lewis Lloyd to be Lieutenant, without Purchase.

Cornet William D'Arcy to be Ditto, vice Hellings.

18th Ditto, George Cahell, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Bacchus, who retires.

1st Regiment of Foot.

To be Captains of Companies,

Lieutenant Alexander Stewart.

Lieutenant John Gordon.

Lieutenant Edward Michael Bird.

Lieutenant Sampson Godfrey.

To be Lieutenants,

Lieutenant William Henry Newton, from Half-Pay of the 15th Foot, vice Stewart.

Ensign James Walker, from the 8th Battalion of Reserve, vice Gordon.

Ensign ——— College, from the York Rangers, vice Bird.

Ensign George Gun, vice Godfrey.

Ensign John William Emmerfow, from the Nova Scotia Fencibles.

Ensign ——— Buckley.

To be Ensigns,

Robert Campbell, Gent.

C. Douglas, Gent.

H. Cowell, Gent.

James Cowell, Gent.

John Cowell, Gent.

——— Munro, Gent.