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Admiralty-Office, September 21, 1805.

Copy of a Letter from the Honorable William Cornwallis, Admiral of the White, to William Marsden, Esq; dated Ville de Paris, off Ushant, the 17th September 1805.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to acquaint the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that His Majesty's Ship Amazon, has this Moment rejoined me; and I enclose, for their Lordships' Information, a Letter from Captain Parker, giving an Account of his having fallen in with, and captured the Principé de la Paz Spanish Corvette Privateer.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

W. CORNWALLIS.

His Majesty's Ship Amazon, off Ushant, 17th September 1805.

SIR,

I BEG to acquaint you, we fell in with the Homeward bound Jamaica Fleet at Sunset, on the 31st August, during a hard North-West Gale, Eighty Leagues to the Westward of Scilly, and having with some Difficulty learnt from one of the Convoy, that several of the Fleet had separated, I judged it proper to continue on the Station directed in your Order, in Hopes of collecting and affording Protection to the Stragglers; we have not met any, but I am happy to inform you, on the 12th Instant, in Lat. 49 Deg. 50 Min. N. and Long. 18 Deg. 30 Min. W. His Majesty's Ship under my Command, captured the Principé de la Paz, a Spanish Corvette Privateer, carrying Twenty-four Nine-Pounders and Four Brass Swivels, with One Hundred and Sixty Men on board, principally French.

This Ship was fitted out at Vigo Five Weeks before, and had taken the Prince of Wales Packet from Lisbon, and the Lady Nelson Letter of Marque, from Virginia bound to Glasgow. We found Part of the Crew of the latter Ship on board the Privateer, and a considerable Sum in specie.

I have much Satisfaction in her Capture, as she was completely stowed for remaining Two Months longer at Sea, and her Captain, François Beck, an experienced Cruiser, who commanded the French Privateer Le Brave, during the late War, greatly to the Annoyance of our Trade.

I have the Honor to be, &c. W. PARKER.

The Honorable William Cornwallis, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, September 21, 1805.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Mitchell, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at Halifax, to William Marsden, Esq; dated at Halifax, the 21st of August 1805.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to enclose, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, Three Letters from Captain Beresford, of His Majesty's Ship Cambrian, stating the Capture of Two of the Enemy's Privateers; also the cutting out of St. Mary's River a Ship, Brig, and a Spanish Schooner Privateer; by which their Lordships will observe with what Coolness and Bravery that Service was conducted under the Direction of Lieutenant George Pigot, and so ably supported by Lieutenant Masterman, of the Royal Marines; in short, the steady Conduct of both Petty Officers, Seamen, and Marines was such, as merits my warmest Thanks and Commendation; and I beg Leave, most strongly, to recommend them to their Lordships' Notice.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

A. MITCHELL.

His Majesty's Ship Cambrian, in Lat. 29 Deg.

SIR, *Long. 62 Deg. June 13, 1805.*

THIS Day Lieutenant Pigot had the Direction of the Cambrian's Boats. With the Launch he most gallantly boarded the Spanish Privateer Schooner Maria, of Fourteen Guns and Sixty Men. Lieutenant Crofton, in the Barge, instantly followed him; the Vessel was carried notwithstanding every Resistance was made. The other Boats did not get on board until she surrendered; but no less Merit is due to the Officers and Men, who all volunteered this Service. Lieutenant Pigot tells me every one did his Duty most cheerfully. Two excellent Men were killed, and Two wounded.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

J. P. BERESFORD.

To Sir Andrew Mitchell, K. B. &c. &c. &c.

His Majesty's Ship Cambrian, at Sea,

SIR, *July 3, 1805.*

AFTER a Chace of Twenty-two Hours, we have just captured the French Privateer Schooner Matilda. She mounts Twenty Guns, Nine-Pounders, is Two Hundred Tons, and Ninety-five