Hind Revenue Cutter, Catwater, Port of Plymouth, 21ſt April 1806.

SIR,

I BEG you will be pleaſed to acquaint my Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, that, on Wedneſday the 16th Inſtant, having received Information at Scilly that a Veſſel had been captured off that Iſland by a French Brig Privateer of Fourteen Guns, I immediately got under Weigh, and proceeded to Sea; and on Friday the 18th, had the Satisfaction of falling in with her, Scilly bearing N. N. E. Three Leagues; ſhe hoiſted American Colours, and allowed us to approach; fired a Broadſide into us, and a Volley of Muſketry; then, with a Crowd of Sail, ſhe attempted to get off, depending on her ſuperior Sailing; but, after a Chace from Nine A. M. till Twelve, and a running Fight from Twelve to Three, ſhe ſtruck to the Hind Revenue Cutter under my Command, and proves to be L'Intrepide of St. Maloes, of Fourteen Guns, Eight of which had been previouſly put into the Hold. Joſep Bourſin, Commander, who, with Two of the Enemy, were killed, and Two are dangerouſly wounded. She has been out Twenty Days, and has captured Four Veſſels.

I have every Reaſon to hope that neither of them can, as yet, have got into any French Port, by what I can learn from thoſe who belonged to them, and who were taken in the Intrepide. She is a new Veſſel, and was returning from her Second Cruize; ſhe has, and would have been, a great Annoyance to our Trade, being a very faſt-ſailing Veſſel.

On board of the Hind we have none Killed or Wounded; nor any Damage, other than the Rigging and Sails being cut. I cannot do ſufficient Juſtice to the Zeal and ſteady Conduct of Mr. Pitt, Chief Mate, and the Officers and Men under my Command. I have the Honor to be, &c.

THO. MURRAY ALLAN.

Brig Mary, M'Arthur, Maſter, from Ireland, a light Tranſport, retaken and ſent into Scilly.

Admiral Young, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, April 26, 1806.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral the Honorable Sir Alexander Cochrane, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Ships and Veſſels at the Leeward Iſlands, to William Marſden, Eſq; dated on board the Northumberland, Carliſle Bay, Barbadoes, 7th March 1806.

SIR,

I ENCLOSE, for the Information of the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, the Copy of a Letter from Captain Smith, of His Majeſty's Sloop Woolverine, giving an Account of the Capture of a Privateer: alſo the Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Barker, commanding the Grenada, acquainting me of his capturing a French Letter of Marque.

Captain Younghuſband, of His Majeſty's Ship Heureux, has alſo ſent in here Two Schooner Privateers which he has lately captured, but I have not yet received his official Account thereof.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

ALEX. COCHRANE.

His Majeſty's Sloop Wolverine, 60 Leagues to Windward of Barbadoes, Jan. 31, 1806.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honor to inform you, that this Morning I captured the French Schooner Privateer Petite Confiance, after a long Chace. She had One large Gun mounted (her Two others having been thrown overboard in Chace) and Fifty Men: a Month out from Guadaloupe, and has taken nothing. I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) J. SMYTH.

Rear-Admiral Cochrane, &c. &c. &c.

His Majeſty's Brig Grenada, St. George's Bay, Grenada, February 18, 1806.

SIR,

I HAVE the Satisfaction to acquaint you, that, on the 15th Inſtant, the Pearl Rock, Martinique, bearing Eaſt, diſtant Four or Five Leagues, at Four A. M. I diſcovered a ſuſpitious Veſſel to the Southward, to which I immediately gave Chace; at Seven o'Clock I fired a Shot at her, which ſhe returned, and hoiſted French Colours, and a cloſe Action enſued. In conſequence of light Winds, and my being to Leeward of the Enemy, I dropt a-ſtern ſeveral Times, which prolonged the Action conſiderably, the Smoke from the Guns taking the Wind out of our Sails. At Thirty Minutes paſt Eleven, the Enemy ſtruck his Colours, and found her to be the French Schooner Letter of Marque, Princeſs Murat, having on board two Forty-two Pounders, One Nine-Pounder, with ſeveral Swivels, and Blunderbuſſes, and Fifty-two Men; out from Martinique twelve Hours, and bound to St. Domingo, laden with Dry Goods, Noyeau, &c.

I am ſorry to add, Mr. Atkins the Maſter, a brave and good Officer, who has ſerved ſeveral Years with me, is ſeverely Wounded, but, I truſt, will ſpeedily recover; and one Boy, who died a few Hours after the Action.

The Enemy had Three Men killed, and Seven wounded.—I beg Leave to obſerve, that the Enemy's Guns were mounted in ſuch a manner, as to enable them all to bear, at the ſame Time, in any Direction, which made them very ſuperior in Weight of Metal.

The Enemy's Maſts and Rigging were ſo much crippled, that, on the Night of the 16th, both Maſts went by the Board. The Grenada has ſuffered much in Rigging; both Topmaſts being quite diſabled, Main Boom ſhot away; both Lower Maſts damaged, and Sails cut to Pieces, with the heavy Showers of Grape and Canniſter from the Forty-two Pounders.

The Conduct of Mr. Malone, Sub-Lieutenant, Mr. Atkins the Maſter, Mr. Briggs, Midſhipman, (who has juſt ſerved his Time,) the Petty Officers, Seamen, and a Party of the 60th Regiment, ſerving as Marines, I cannot ſufficiently extol their Coolneſs, and Strict Attention to my Directions during the Action, being ſuch as are ſo truly characteriſtic in the Britiſh Seaman. I have, &c.

(Signed) JOHN BARKER.

The Honorable A. Cochrane, Rear-Admiral of the White, Commander in Chief, &c. &c. &c. Leeward Iſlands.

Admiralty-Office, April 26, 1806.

Copy of a Letter from Captain George Younghuſband, Commander of His Majeſty's Ship Heureux, to William Marſden, Eſq; dated in Carliſle Bay, Barbadoes, 28th February 1806.

SIR,

ADMIRAL COCHRANE not being at preſent on the Spot, I beg Leave to incloſe to you a Letter, (for the Information of my Lords Commiſſioners