

tention for any other Cause than the Violation of the aforefaid Orders of the Seventh of January and the Eleventh of November One thousand eight hundred and feven, as altered by the faid Order of the Twenty-fixth of April laft.

Provided alfo, that nothing in this Order contained fhall extend, or be conftrued to extend to protect any Veffel which fhall attempt to enter any Port actually blockaded by any of His Majefty's Ships of War.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commiffioners of His Majefty's Treafury, His Majefty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Lords Commiffioners of the Admiralty, and the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, and the Judges of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty, are to give the neceffary Directions herein as to them may refpectively appear.

Steph. Cottrell.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, May 30, 1809.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majefty will hold a Drawing-Room at St. James's, on Monday next the 5th of June, when His Majefty's Birth-Day will be kept.

Queen's Palace, June 1, 1809.

This Day His Excellency Don Pedro de Cevallos, Ambaffador Extraordinary from the Supreme Junta in Spain, acting in the Name of His Catholic Majefty Ferdinand the Seventh, had an Audience of Leave of Her Majefty:

And the Prince de Stahremberg, Envoy Extraordinary and Minifter Plenipotentiary from the Emperor of Auftria, had his firft private Audience of Her Majefty:

To which they were refpectively introduced by the Earl of Morton, Lord Chamberlain to Her Majefty, and conducted by Sir Stephen Cottrell, Knt. Mafter of the Ceremonies.

Downing-Street, June 2, 1809.

A DISPATCH, of which the following is a Copy, was received from Lieutenant-General Sir George Beckwith, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majefty's Forces in the Leeward Iflands, by Lord Vifcount Cafllereagh, one of His Majefty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Fort Royal, Martinique,

MY LORD,

April 20, 1809.

THE French Squadron, confifting of Three Sail of the Line and Two Frigates, from L'Orient, having taken Shelter in the Saints, in the Vicinity of Guadaloupe, where they were blockaded by Rear-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane with a fuperior Force, I detached a Corps, of between Two and Three Thousand Men, under the Command of Major-General Maitland, to co-operate with the Navy in the Reduction of thofe Iflands, to deftroy or capture the Ships of the Enemy, or to force them to Sea.

I have the Satisfaction to report to your Lordship, for His Majefty's Information, that after Three Days of great Toil and moft active Service, the Forts were reduced, and the Troops furrendered Prifoners of War.

The French Ships of the Line puffed to Sea early on the Night of the 14th; on the 16th the Admiral was within Four Miles of them, and, I truft, will be enabled to bring them to clofe Action.

I have the Honour to inclofe the Major-General's Report upon the honourable Termination of this Service; and I beg Leave to recommend to His Majefty's favourable Confideration, the meritorious Services of this General Officer, not only in the prefent Infiance, where he held a diftinct Command, but for his general good Conduct during the whole Campaign.

The Officers of all Ranks have done their Duty in an exemplary Manner, and the Troops employed upon this Service have maintained that Superiority which has diftinguifhed this Army during the whole Series of our Operations fince our Departure from Barbadoes.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) GEO. BECKWITH.

*The Right Hon. Lord Vifcount Cafllereagh,
&c. &c. &c.*

SIR, *Camp, at the Saints, April 18, 1809.*

I HAVE the Honour to tranfmit you a Report of the Proceedings of His Majefty's Troops detached for the Reduction of the Saints.

We failed from Fort Royal Bay on the 12th; Captain Beaver, of His Majefty's Ship Acafta, who was Commodore of the Division, left the Squadron under Charge of Captain Carthew, of His Majefty's Ship Gloire, and went forward to meet Rear-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane. The 13th was paffed in examining the Enemy's Positions, and in making Arrangements.

The Difembarkation was fixed to be at Six o'clock in the Morning of the 14th, but a bad Night feparated our Ships. By Ten they were collected. Soon after the Acafta led in, through a very narrow Channel which was buoyed on each Side. The Gloire, Narciffus, and Circe followed; the Intrepid about an Hour after, but the Dolphin not until next Day. His Majefty's Ships anchored oppofite to the little Bay Bois Joly. The Landing was meant to have been at the next to the Eaftward, called Ance Vanovre. As much Time, it was then feen, would be loft by perfevering to go to Ance Vanovre, becaufe the Boats would have had a long Row againft Wind and Current, we landed at Ance Bois Joly; a fecure Landing, though a ftoney Beach, protected by the Fire of the Frigates. We experienced no Oppofition, except a Cannonade from the Iflet of Cabrit, the Guns of which fired over the Ridge among the Shipping.

When advanced to the firft Ridge, we found the Enemy occupied the great Mountain which is above Eight hundred Feet high, called Mount Ruffel. This was immediately on our Right, nor could we advance. The Rifle Companies of the 3d and of the 4th Battalions 60th Regiment were ordered to diflodge the Enemy. The Exertion of thefe Companies under Captains Dolling and Lupton was great; the Afcent no lefs fteep than an Angle of Fifty Degrees, covered with Bufh and prickly Pears, they moft gallantly effected the Service, and drove back the Enemy who fuffered confiderably. The Rifle Companies were fupported to their Right by the Flank Companies of the 3d Weft India Regiment and One Company of the Royal York Ran-