

being entered into by the Merchant Exporter, to any of the British Plantations in the West-Indies, or to any of His Majesty's Settlements in South America; provided the Merchant Exporter shall first verify, upon Oath, that the Articles so exported are intended for the Use of a particular Plantation or Settlement, to be named in the Entry Outwards, and not for Sale; and that the said Plantation or Settlement has not before been furnished with any Supply of the said Articles during the same Season; and provided also that the Exportation of the said Articles shall, in no Case, exceed the Value of Fifty Pounds Sterling for any given Plantation or Settlement, whether by one or more Shipments within the same Season: And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

W. Foxwiler.

Admiralty-Office, July 4, 1809.

Copies of Two Letters from Captain M. Kinley, of His Majesty's Ship the *Lively*, to the Honourable William Wellesley Pole.

SIR, *Lively, Vigo, June 7, 1809.*

I am pleased to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, Yesterday Evening, an Express arrived from a Spanish Officer at San Payo to Commodore Don Juan Carranfas, that the Conde de Norona was retiring with his Division of the Galician Army from Pontevedra to that Place, and desiring Boats might be there to convey the Troops across the River, (the Bridge having been broken down on the 7th of May,) Commodore Don J. Carranfas requesting Assistance, Captain Winter with the *Cadmus* (who had been obliged to put back from Strefs of Weather) immediately sailed up the River with the Portuguese Schooner *Curiosa*, under my Orders from the Honourable Vice-Admiral Berkeley, the Tigre Spanish Schooner of War, and as many Boats and Vessels as could possibly be collected.

This retrograde Movement caused me much anxiety; and I very early this Morning went up in the Barge to San Payo, where I found Brigadier-General Carrera strongly posted on the South Side of the Bridge (the Conde de Norona being at Redondela); and in my Interview with him, I learnt that the Enemy after the Brigadier-General had taken Santjago, united his Forces from Lugo to those of Corunna, amounting to Eight Thousand Men, Two Thousand Five Hundred Cavalry, with several Field-Pieces and some Twelve-Pounders.

This Force being very much superior to the Brigadier's, he retreated to Caldas and Pontevedra, where the Conde de Norona joined. From the excessive and continued heavy Rains we have had of late, much of the Ammunition was unavoidably damaged, and Pontevedra being too distant to receive any more when attacked, the falling back on such a strong Position was well conceived and most ably executed. On a Height above the Bridge they had a Battery of Two Eighteen-Pounders, and this Army was increased to between Six and Seven Thousand Men armed, and Three Thousand fine

young Men without Arms, One Hundred and Twenty Horse, Nine Field Pieces, acting under the immediate Direction of the Brigadier-General.

At Nine the Enemy appeared on the other Side in great Force, and although the Galician Troops had undergone much Fatigue, and suffered greatly from the Inclemency of the Weather, to which they had been constantly exposed, yet, on the Approach of the Enemy nothing could exceed the Animation and Spirit of the Soldiers, all was Alacrity and Confidence, and I left the Brigadier-General, and was saluted by the Enemy from their Field Pieces, but without hurting us, although nearly within Musket-Shot; at Half-past Nine they opened their Fire on the Spaniards, which was most spiritedly returned and their Field Artillery was moved with great Alacrity and well served.

On my Return on board I landed my Marines and Twenty-five Seamen at the Castle (having taken them on board some Days past); and Lieutenant-Colonel Carroll, in the most zealous and handsome Manner, offered his Services to assist Captain Crawford in Defence of the Castle. Sixty Soldiers, whom he brought from Gijon with him, (Part of our Army,) at his earnest Request were landed, and I supplied them with Arms; and every Thing was put in the best possible Order of Defence by Commodore Don Juan Carranfas, Don Barnado Gonzalez the Governor, and Captain Crawford, of His Majesty's Ship *Venus*.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) GEO. M. KINLEY.

SIR, *Lively, Vigo, June 12, 1809.*

I CONCLUDED my Letter of the 7th Instant, which I did myself the Honour of writing to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that the Enemy had began an Attack at Half-past Nine that Morning on the Spanish Troops under the Command of Brigadier-General Carrera, on the South Side of the Bridge of St. Payo.

I have to request you will be pleased to make known to their Lordships, that the Enemy, having taken Post on the North Side of the Bridge, a Pistol-shot across, in Houses, and in a Wood a little below it, kept up his Attack, supported with Field Artillery and Three Twelve-Pounders, with great Vivacity during the whole of that Day (the 7th), which was sustained by the Galician Army with great Coolness and Bravery.

During the Night of the 7th, the Enemy erected a Battery. Commodore Don Juan Carranfas sent up Three Gun-Boats, One of which Captain Wynter manned, under the Charge of Lieutenant Jefferson, his First Lieutenant. At Daylight in the Morning of the 8th, the Enemy opened his Fire, both on the Galician Troops and the Boats; the latter of which, from the Tide being up, got near, and destroyed the Enemy's Batteries. At the Fall of the Tide the Enemy made Two desperate Attempts to cross below the Bridge with his Cavalry and Infantry, but the great Courage and Spirit displayed by our Friends repulsed them with great Slaughter. A Body of them went higher up the River to the Bridge to Sottomayor, and that active and brave Officer Don Pablo Murillo was detached with a Division to oppose them, and the Enemy, after persevering for an Hour and an Half, were