

they were within musket-shot, the ship was carried, after a desperate struggle, in which the whole of the crew, excepting twenty-three taken, were either killed or compelled to jump overboard; the commander of the vessel (a Lieutenant de Vaisseau) was amongst the latter, severely wounded. The Medusa had none killed, and only five wounded.

At daylight the ship was got under weigh, but after proceeding about a league down the harbour, she grounded; and the tide then running out with great violence, she was set fire to, after the wounded had been taken out, and some time after blew up.

The Dorade had been watching an opportunity to escape from Arcasson since the month of April 1811.

Captain Bouverie highly commends the conduct of Lieutenant Thompson and the other officers and men employed on this occasion.

Admiralty-Office, June 20, 1812.

REAR-ADMIRAL BROWN, Commander in Chief at the islands of Guernsey and Jersey, has transmitted to John Wilson Croker, Esq. a letter from Lieutenant Drake, commanding the Sandwich hired lugger, giving an account of his having, on the 15th instant, captured the Courageux French lugger privateer, of two guns and twenty-four men, out four days from Brehat, without making any capture.

Office of Ordnance, June 15, 1812.

Royal Regiment of Artillery.

First Lieutenant Daniel Bouchier to be Second Captain, vice Fleming, retired. Dated May 30, 1812.

Second Lieutenant Claudius Shaw to be First Lieutenant, vice Bouchier. Dated as above.

Commission in the Anglesey Regiment of Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Anglesey.

William Griffith Williams, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated June 10, 1812.

Commissions in the Buteshire Regiment of Local Militia, signed by the Vice Lieutenant.

John M'Kinlay, Gent. to be Quarter-Master, with the Brevet rank of Lieutenant, vice Irvine, promoted. Dated April 24, 1812.

John Reid, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated December 23, 1811.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Norfolk.

1st or West Norfolk Regiment of Militia.

Thomas Cooper Coles, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated May 16, 1812.

Loddon Yeomanry Cavalry.

Lieutenant Charles Tompson to be Captain, vice Bacon, resigned. Dated June 6, 1812.

Cornet Richard Denny to be Lieutenant, vice Tompson. Dated as above.

John W. Gooch, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Denny. Dated as above.

South Greenhoe Cavalry.

A. A. Powell, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Eyre, resigned. Dated June 6, 1812.

Commissions in the Fishgard Battalion of Pembroke Local Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

Essex Harries, Esq. to be Captain. Dated May 15, 1809.

John Owen, Esq. to be ditto. Dated as above.

David Harries, Esq. to be ditto. Dated as above.

Thomas Baynham, Esq. to be ditto. Dated as above.

David Thomas, Esq. to be ditto. Dated as above.

John Loyd, Gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated as above.

James James, Gent. to be ditto. Dated May 25, 1812.

John John, Gent. to be Ensign. Dated May 24, 1809.

Marris Williams, Gent. to be ditto. Dated May 25, 1812.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Hants.

North Hants Regiment of Militia.

Ensign Alexander Fraser to be Lieutenant, vice Forster, resigned. Dated May 25, 1812.

South West Hants Local Militia.

Quarter-Master Henry Holmes to be Lieutenant, by Brevet. Dated June 1, 1812.

Whitehall, June 28, 1812.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed William Spurstow Miller, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

ISLE OF ELY ASSIZES.

Edward Christian, Esq. Chief Justice.

Wisbech, Monday, June 29.

Admiralty-Office, May 26, 1812.

Notice is hereby given, that a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held at Justice-Hall, in the Old Bailey, London, on Friday the 26th of June next, at eight o'clock in the morning.

J. W. CROKER.

CONTRACT FOR IRON BALLAST.

Navy-Office, June 9, 1812.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Thursday the 25th of June instant, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying His Majesty's Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Chatham, and Sheerness, with

Cast Iron Ballast.