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ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCTOBER 25, 1808.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord COLLINGWOOD, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, to the Honourable W. W. POLE, dated on board the Ocean, off Cape Pallas, the 5th of September 1808.

SIR,

I inclose, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, two letters which I have received from Captain Stewart, of his Majesty's ship the Seahorse, dated the 6th and 8th of July, giving an account of his having fallen in with a large Turkish frigate and corvette on the evening of the 5th of that month, off the Island of Scopolo, and, after a severe action, taken the Badere Zaffer, a Turkish frigate, of fifty-two guns and five hundred men:—the corvette was not seen in the morning.

The example which Captain Stewart has given in this action of gallantry and of skill, by which his own ship was so well preserved, while his opponent was ruined, must be highly gratifying to their Lordships, and marks the highest state of discipline of his ship, and the ability of the officers who conducted it.

I inclose also a letter from Captain Hepenstall, of his Majesty's sloop Kingfisher, of the 27th of June, informing me he had captured a French letter of marque, the Hercule, of twelve guns and fifty-seven men, off the coast of Caramania.

I am, &c. COLLINGWOOD.

*His Majesty's Ship Seahorse, off Skyro,
July 6, 1808.*

MY LORD,

I have the honour to inform your Lordship, that yesterday evening we observed two Turkish men of war and a galley coming round the east end of the island of Scopolo, towards which we immediately made sail. On coming near enough to make out that they were both single decked ships, I determined to bring them

to action, having every confidence in the officers and crew of this ship. The action began at half past nine, the Turks going a little off the wind under easy sail, and continually endeavouring to run us on board: indeed I early saw that their chief attention was directed to this object, and as the largest ship appeared of great force and full of men, I kept this ship in a position not to be boarded. At ten o'clock, observing a good opportunity of more particularly attacking the small ship to advantage, we dropped alongside of her, and after a quarter of an hour's hot fire, at half pistol-shot distance, her fire having totally ceased, we left her in a state of the greatest distress and confusion, with her sails mostly down, and just before we had left her she had partially blown up forward. By this time the largest frigate, which, from having fallen a little to leeward, had not been able to assist her consort, had again got pretty close up, and the action between us soon recommenced; still so obstinate was the resistance of the Turks, that it was not till a quarter past one we rendered her a motionless wreck. As they now would neither answer nor fire, I conceived it most prudent, knowing the character of the people, to wait for daylight to send on board her. At daylight, observing her colours upon the stump of the mizen mast, we poured a broadside into her stern, when she struck, and I had the pleasure to take possession of the Badere Zaffer, a very fine frigate of the largest dimensions, carrying fifty-two long brass guns, twenty four pounders, on the main-deck, except two, which are forty-two pounders, and twelve-pounders on the quarter deck and fore-castle. She had a complement of five hundred men, and was commanded by Captain Scanderli Kichuc Alli, who, I am informed, was only prevented by his own people from blowing her up. Her loss in killed and wounded is prodigious, one hundred and

sixty-five killed and one hundred and ninety-five wounded; ours comparatively small, five killed and ten wounded. Our mizen-mast fell soon after the action, which is the greatest injury we have sustained. The other ship was named the Ahs Fezan, carrying twenty-four thirteen-pounders and two mortars, commanded by Captain Daragardi Alli, with a complement of two hundred and thirty men. I understand they took most of the men out of the galley before the action, and sent her away.

Having now, my Lord, given you the details of this affair, there only remains the pleasant office of recommending to you the officers and ship's company, who, during a tedious night action, where much depended upon working the sails as well as the guns, behaved in a manner to command my utmost gratitude. The disparity of force, with the loss in the enemy's ships, will prove the greatness of their exertions, to which I shall add, that thirty men were absent from the ship. Mr. Downie, the first lieutenant, is an officer of merit, ability, and experience; and I beg strongly to recommend him to your Lordship's protection for promotion. Mr. Lester, master's-mate, who has passed, is also very deserving of promotion. Thomas Hully, gunner's-mate, and an excellent man, acted as gunner; and, from his conduct, is very deserving of such a situation.

I am now proceeding with the prize for any port I can get first into amongst the islands, as it is with difficulty we can keep her above water.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) JOHN STEWART.

*The Right Hon. Lord Collingwood, Commander
in Chief, &c.*

*On board his Majesty's Sloop Kingfisher,
off the Coast of Caramania, Cape Blanc
bearing N. W. by N. Ten Leagues,*

MY LORD, June 27, 1808.

It is with great pleasure I have the honour

Price Sixpence.



o inform you, that at daylight this morning, I saw a large sail in the S. W. which I immediately went in chase of, and, with the assistance of the sweeps, the wind being very light, at twelve o'clock I had the satisfaction of arriving up within gun-shot of the chace, who had hoisted French colours, when I commenced firing on her, which she returned very warmly, and, after a running fight of one hour, she struck. She proves to be *Le Hercule*, a very fine new French ship letter of marque, with a cargo of cotton on board, from Aleppo and Cyprus bound to Marseilles or Genoa, armed with twelve guns, eighteens, twelve, and eights; manned with fifty-seven men; commanded by Mons. Gerome Cavasso, a member of the legion of honour. I am happy in being able to say that I have every reason to be pleased with the steady, excellent conduct displayed by Mr R. Standish, first lieutenant, the other officers and ship's company on this occasion. I had but one man slightly wounded, but suffered very much in the yards and running rigging: the enemy had one man killed and three wounded.

I have the honour to be, &c.

W. HEPENSTAL.

Vice-Admiral Lord Collingwood, &c.

Copy of another Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord COLLINGWOOD, to the Honourable WILLIAM WELLESLEY POLE, dated on board the Ocean, at Sea, the 1st of September 1808.

SIR,

I have the pleasure to inclose, to be laid before my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the copy of a letter transmitted to me by Vice-Admiral Thornborough from Captain Rosenhagen, of his Majesty's ship the *Volage*, giving an account of that ship having captured, on the 28th of July last, the French brig of war *Requin*, of sixteen guns, (pierced for eighteen), commanded by the Captain of Frigate *Berar*, with a complement of one hundred and eight men.

As this vessel is represented to be nearly new, and fit for his Majesty's service, I proposed causing her to be taken into it, if she is found so on survey.

I also transmit a letter, with its inclosure, which I have received from the honourable Captain Duncan, of his Majesty's ship *Porcupine*, who on several former occasions has praised, in the highest terms, the ability and zeal evinced by Lieutenant Price, in conducting similar successful enterprises against the enemy.

I am, &c. COLLINGWOOD.

His Majesty's Ship Volage, Agincourt-Sound, 8th August 1808.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you, that I arrived here yesterday morning with *Le Requin* French brig, of sixteen guns, and one hundred and eight men, which I had the good fortune to fall in with in the morning of the 28th ultimo, a little to the northward of Corsica, and captured her, after a hard chace of nine hours, in which her boats, boom, and anchors were thrown overboard.

She is commanded by Capitaine de Frégate *Berar*, member of the legion of honour, and had left Ajaccio only the morning before we fell in with her, having put in there on her way from Algiers to Toulon, with three prizes taken on her passage. She is a very fine brig, pierced for eighteen guns, built at Rochfort only fourteen months since, and is the same which the Wizard engaged some time ago.

The number of prisoners I have on board will make it necessary for me to go to Malta; but I shall return to my station without delay.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) O. L. J. ROSENHAGEN.

Vice-Admiral Thornborough, &c.

Two of the brig's prizes belonged to the *Lavinia* and *Spartan*, whose crews were recaptured.

His Majesty's Ship Porcupine, at Sea,
Mr LORD,
July 14, 1808.

I have the honour to inform your Lordship, that on the morning of the 9th instant, being off Mount Circello, on the coast of Romania, I observed two French gun-boats, with a merchant vessel under convoy, going alongshore to the westward; as the ship was becalmed, I sent Lieutenant Price with the boats in pursuit of them; after a row of eight hours in a hot sun, he drove the latter on shore, and forced the gun-boats to take shelter under the batteries of Port Dango. At this time, seeing three very suspicious vessels coming down with a fresh breeze from the westward, I was obliged to recall him; but before we could cut them off, they also got into the same harbour. Next morning I observed that one of them, a large polacre ship, lay farther out than the others, and having reconnoitred, thought it possible to take her; I was the more induced to try it, from a wish to give a check to the trade along this coast, which they think from their numerous batteries they can carry on without molestation. As soon as it was dark, the boats went in, under the command of Lieutenant Price, and from under the heaviest fire I ever saw, brought her out. She carries eight long six-pounders guns, and had on board between twenty and thirty men, from Hieres Bay, bound to Naples with salt.

When I consider that this vessel was moored to a beach, lined with French soldiers, within pistol shot of two batteries and a tower, and of three gun-boats, carrying each a twenty-four-pounder and thirty men; that from the baffling winds she was an hour and twenty minutes before she got out of range of grape, and that the enemy were at first perfectly prepared for the attack, I cannot find words to express my admiration at the intrepid conduct of all the officers and seamen and marines employed in it.

I am sure that the services of Lieutenant Price, he having been more than thirty times in action with the boats of this ship since October last, and his sufferings on this occasion, being severely wounded on the head and right leg, will be a sufficient excuse for my requesting, in the strongest terms, that your Lordship will recommend this gallant officer to the consideration of the Lords of the Admiralty.

Inclosed are the names of the officers employed in the boats, and a list of the wounded, all of whom, I am happy to say, are likely to do well; fortunately we had none killed.

I am, &c.

HENRY DUNCAN, Captain.

The Right Hon. Lord Collingwood, Vice-Admiral of the Red, Commander in Chief.

Names of the Officers employed in the Boats of his Majesty's Ship Porcupine, on the Night of the 10th of July 1808.

George Price, first lieutenant.
Francis Smith (2), second lieutenant.
James Renwick, lieutenant of royal marines.
Messrs Barry, Featherstone, Wilkes, Adams, and Butler, midshipmen.
Mr Anderson, captain's clerk.

List of the Officers, Seamen, and Marines wounded in the Boats of his Majesty's Ship Porcupine, on the Night of the 10th of July 1808.

Lieut. George Price, severely.
John O'Brien Butler, midshipman, severely.
John Campbell, second master's-mate, ditto.
James Lewis, able, ditto.
Joseph Germain, ordinary, ditto.
Edward Edwards, able, slightly.
James Rogers, private of marines, severely.
William Mitchell, private of marines, slightly.
(Signed) HENRY DUNCAN.

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

To be Deputy-Lieutenants—George Granville Earl Gower. Erick Lord Reay. Richard Barre Lord Ashburton; all dated August 31, 1808.

BANKRUPTS.

(From the London Gazette.)

Roger Williams, now or late of the parish of Bedwelty, Monmouth, shopkeeper.
Samuel Rhodes, of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Stafford, grocer.
John Drew, of Dursley, Gloucester, innkeeper.
John Jones, late of Llangollen, Denbigh, shopkeeper.
George Forster, late of Easter Dukesfield, Northumberland, miller.
William Piddock Roper, late of London, and late of the Cape of Good Hope, merchant and ship-owner.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

MACKENZIE & CO. Merchants in Aberdeen, and of George Mackenzie, Merchant there, as an Individual.

UPON the application of the said Mackenzie & Co. and of the said George Mackenzie, as an individual, with consent of Creditors to the extent required by law, the Lord BANNATYNE, Ordinary officiating on the Bills, upon the 31st day of October last, sequestrated the whole real and personal estates of the said Mackenzie & Co. as a company, and of the said George Mackenzie as an individual, and appointed their Creditors to meet in the house of Edward Cleugh, vintner in Aberdeen, upon Tuesday the 8th day of November current, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of naming an Interim Factor; and also appointed the Creditors to meet at the same place and hour, on Tuesday the 29th day of the same month, for the purpose of choosing a Trustee, in terms of the Statute.

November 1, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

Messrs ADAM RENNIE & CO. Merchants and Corn-dealers at Grahamstown, and the Individual Creditors of that Company.

JAMES AITKEN, writer in Falkirk, Trustee on said company's and partners sequestrate estate, hereby intimates, that states of the bankrupts affairs lie at his office in Falkirk, for the inspection of the Creditors, in terms of the Statute. And he requests these Creditors who have not given in their claims, to do so, with oaths of verity thereon, without delay.

N. B. No dividend at present.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

HUGH McLEAN, Merchant in Douglas.
THE Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills, of this date, sequestrated the real and personal estates of the said Hugh McLean, and appointed his Creditors to meet within the Tontine Tavern, Glasgow, on Tuesday the 8th instant, at 12 o'clock noon, to name an Interim Factor; and at same place and hour on Thursday 1st December next, to elect a Trustee.

November 1, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

PETER SMITH, Ironmonger in Glasgow.
ARCHIBALD LAWSON, Trustee on the said Peter Smith's sequestrated estate, intimates, that a third dividend will be paid, at his counting-house, on 2d December next, where states of the affairs will be found.

Glasgow, October 31, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ROBERT CARSON, Vintner in Moffat.

WILLIAM WALLACE, Writer in Dumfries, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of the said Robert Carson, hereby intimates, that a state of the bankrupt's affairs lies at the Trustee's writing-chambers in Dumfries, for the inspection of all concerned; but that no dividend can at present take place.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM M'CALL, Cattle-dealer in Goat.

A MEETING of the Creditors of the said William M'Call is to be held in the house of Mrs Otto, innkeeper, Leadhills, on Saturday the 19th November current, when a proposal is to be made by him. The Creditors are requested to be punctual in their attendance, by themselves or their mandataries, as the Trustee is desirous to obtain their advice and direction in sundry important matters relative to his management, in case the proposal is not accepted by them.

NOTICE

THE Trustee hereby requests the Creditors of JAMES SMALL, merchant in Dundee, to meet in the house of William Gordon, vintner in Dundee, upon Wednesday the 16th day of November next, at 1 o'clock afternoon, to consider of matters of importance to the sequestrated estate. No dividend.

PATERSON SAUNDERS.

Dundee, October 26, 1808.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ROBERT HARRIS, late Spirit-dealer in Glasgow.

A GENERAL meeting of the Creditors of the said Robert Harris, is hereby required to be held within the counting-house of Robert Auld, the Trustee, Smith's Court, Brunswick Street, on Wednesday the 23d current, at 12 o'clock noon, to take into consideration a letter addressed by Mr William Riddle, and other Creditors, to the Commissioners, regarding the process with the said Mr Riddle, at present depending before the Court of Session. It is earnestly requested that the whole Creditors will attend.

Glasgow, November 1, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

THOMAS WALLACE, Wright in Paisley.

JOHN MORRISON, Merchant in Newtown of Paisley, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of the said Thomas Wallace, hereby gives notice, that he has, as directed by the Statute, made up states of the bankrupt's affairs, which will lie in his hands for the inspection of all concerned, till the 2d day of December next; on which day a dividend of 5s. in the pound, being the first dividend, shall be paid.

Paisley, October 29, 1808.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

GEORGE & JOHN TAIT, Drivers and Cattle-dealers in Lochentyre.

THAT upon the application of the said George and John Tait, with concurrence of a Creditor to the extent required by law, the Lord ROBERTSON, Ordinary officiating on the Bills, upon the 31st day of October last, sequestrated the whole estate and effects, heritable and moveable, real and personal, of the said George and John Tait, as a company, and of George Tait and John Tait, as individuals, and appointed their Creditors to meet within the house of Joseph M'Nish, vintner in Gatehouse of Fleet, on Saturday the 12th day of November current, at 1 o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of choosing an Interim Factor, on the said estates; and also to meet, at the place and hour above mentioned, upon Saturday the 10th of December next, for the purpose of naming a Trustee. Of all which intimation is hereby given, in terms of the Statute.

Edinburgh, November 1, 1808.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERY.

THE Copartnery of LANG & CURRIE, Candle-makers in Leith, was DISSOLVED, by mutual consent, on the 23d July last.

BINY LANG.
JOHN CURRIE.

Leith, October 20, 1808.

