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FROM FRIDAY, JUNE 30. TO TUESDAY, JULY 4. 1797.

At the Court at St James's, the 28th of June 1797. PRESENT,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council. HIS day his Grace JOHN Duke of ATHOL was, by his Majesty's command, sworn of his Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

DOWNING STREET, July 1. 1797.
The King having been pleafed to appoint the Right Honourable Lord Malmesbury, Knight of the Bath, to be his Majesty's Plenipotentiary for negotiating and concluding a Treaty of Peace with the Plenipotentiaries of the French Republic duly authorized for that purpose, his Lordship set out yesterday for Lisse, where the negotiations are to be forthwith opened.

His Majesty has also been, pleased to appoint the Honourable HENRY WESLEY to be Secretary to the

above mission.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, June 30. 1797. Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Kingsmill, Commander in Chief of his Majefly's fhips and veffels at Cork, to Evan Nepean, Eq. dated on board the Penguin, in Cork Harbour, June 24. 1797.

PLEASE to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that Captain Parker, of his Majesty's ship Santa Margarita, has just sent in a very sine Spanish privateer brig, named San Francisco, alias Los Amigos, pierced for 14 guns, and 53 men, which he captured on the 21st instant, on this coast, off the Durseys, by her venturing too near. She is from St Sebastian's, and had cruised twenty days between Scilly and Cape Clear, but luckily the frigate was the only English ship she met with since her being out. She sails remark-

ably well, is quite new, and might have done much mif-chief.

I have the honour to be, &c.

ROB. KINGSMILL.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, July 1.
Extract of a Letter from Admiral Sir Peter Parker,
Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels

Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels at Portsmouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated on board the Royal William, at Spithead, June 29. 1797.

Inclosed is a letter from Lieutenaut Thomas Newton commanding the Telemachus cutter, giving an account of his having yesterday captured the French privateer. Le Succes, of fix guns, and forty-two men.

Sir. Telemachus Cutter, Spithead, June 29. 1797.

I mave to inform you, that yesterday afternoon, the needle point bearing N. by E. about sive leagues, I chaced and captured the Succes French lugger privateer, mounting six carriage guns, two of which she threw overboard in the chace, and forty-two men; came out the night before from La Hougue, and had taken nothing.

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P. Parker, Bt. &c. THOMAS NEWTON. Admird Sir P. Parker, Bt. &c. Extract of a Letter from the Earl Sr VINCENT, Com-

mander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels em-ployed on the coast of Portugal, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dited on board the Ville de Paris, off Cadiz, May 19.

I INCLOSE a report from Lieutenant Pengelley, commanding his Majefty's cutter the Viper, relating his capture of a Spanifa privateer.

Spanish privateer.

Sir, Viper, Gibialtar Bay, April 30. 1797.

Having received orders from Captain Bowen (of his Majesty's ship Terplichore) to proceed with his Majesty's cutter under my command to Algiers, upon my return to Gibrakar, on the 13th ult. being about seven leagues N. W. from Alboran, I sell in with and gave chace to a brig in the N. W. quarter. At one P. M. I fired a gun, when she hoisted Spanish colours, and fired a gun shorted, hove to, and gave us a broadside. At half past one we came close along side of her, and brought her to actions which continued till ten minutes nast three, when the halled down her colours. ten minutes past three, when she hauled down her colours,

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