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DOWNING-STREET. OCT. 9. 1798.

By letters from Switzerland, of the 18th September, it appears, that on the 8th and 9th of that month the troops of the Canton of Underwalden were, after a most obstinate refistance, totally defeated by the French army.

The most horrid carnage ensued. Stanz, the principal town of the Canton, had been reduced to ashes, and old men, women, and children, put to the fword without mercy. The French had to confend with 1600 of the inhabitants of Underwalden, who were joined by a few hundred volunteers from the neighbouring Cantons. A finall body of peafants from Schweitz performed prodigies of valour, and was the means of faving the colours of the Canton. The wretched remains of this unfortunate army have taken refuge in the mountains.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCT. 9.

Extract of a Letter from the Hon. Robert Stopford, Captain of his Majesty's ship Phaeton, to the Right Hon. Admiral Lord Bridport, dated at fea, the 1st of October 1798.

I transmit to your Lordship a letter which I have this day received from Capt. Gore, informing me of his having, on the 28th ult. captured a French schooner privateer.

Triton, at fea, Oct. 1. 1798.

I have the fatisfaction to inform you, that, on the 28th of September last, in a heavy gale of wind, his Majesty's ship under my command fell in with and captured L'Araignee French schooner privateer, mounting four four-pounders and one nine-pounder carronade, but pierced for ten guns, carrying 38 men; she had been four days from Cape Machichao, with an intention to cruize three

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months in the Gulf of St Lawrence; she is coppered, built at Liverpool, and appears to fail well. Iam, Sir, &c. Hon. Robt. Stopford, &c.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Harvey, Com-mander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels in the Leeward Illands; to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated at Fort Royal Bay, Martinique, Aug. 8. 1798.

I am to acquaint you, for the information of their Lordships, that his Majesty's armed sloop Charlotte, commanded by Lieutenant John Williams, captured, on the 9th ult. off Demerary, River de Este Ondenenung Dutch privateer schooner, belonging to Surinam, of 8 guns and 38 men, which he sent to Demerary; she was upon a three months cruize; had been out to days, but made no three months cruize; had been out 19 days, but made no captures. I have the honour to be, &c.

HENRY HARVEY.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCT. 9.

Copy of a letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Hyde Parker, Knt. Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels at Jamaica, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated in Port Royal Harbour, the 27th July, 1798. SIR,

Having received a letter from Capt. Lane, of the Acafta, giving an account of the proceedings and fuccess of that ship, and the Ceres, Capt. Otway; and having also received a letter from Capt. Eyre, of his Majesty's ship Regulus, acquainting me with the capture of the vessels therein mentioned, (copies of which you will receive herewith), I am to desire you will be pleased to lay the same before the Right Ham the Lords Commissioners of the before the Right Hon, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for their information.

I have the honour to be, &c.

H. PARKER.