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ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, *Jan. 12.*

Copy of a letter from the Right Hon. Lord BRIDPORT, K. B. Admiral of the White, &c. to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated the 7th inst.

SIR,

Inclosed is a copy of a letter from Captain Griffith, of his Majesty's ship Triton, which I transmit to you for their Lordships information.

I have the honour to be, Sir, &c.

BRIDPORT.

His Majesty's ship Triton, Cawland Bay, Jan. 5.

MY LORD,

Agreeable to the orders which I received from Sir Harry Neale, I returned to Cawland Bay in the Triton. A few days ago, after I parted company with the St Fiorenzo, I captured a French privateer brig of 14 guns and 64 men, just come out of Corunna, and was bound on a cruize off the Western Islands; she is new, off the stocks, coppered, and sails well; this, with the two brigs I captured in company with Sir Harry Neale, is the amount of our success.

I have the honour to be, &c.

EDWD. GRIFFITH.

Right Hon. Admiral Lord Bridport, K. B. &c.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, *Jan. 12.*

Extract of a letter from Admiral Sir PETER PARKER, Bart. Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels at Portsmouth, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated the 11th inst.

Inclosed is a letter which I have received from Lieut. Shephard, commander of his Majesty's cutter the Pigmy, giving an account of his having captured, on the 8th instant, La Rancune French cutter privateer, and retaken two brigs laden with bar iron, which had been taken by the said privateer.

SIR,

Pigmy cutter, Portland Road, Jan. 9.
 I have the honour to acquaint you, that yesterday

noon, Durlstone-Head bearing N.W. two miles, I observed a cutter and two brigs off St Aldan's, standing to the southward, and immediately gave chase.— At forty minutes past one, came up, and retook the brig Lark, Francis Artis master, from Cardiff to London, laden with bar iron; and the brig Dion, Esdras Best master, from Cardiff to London, laden with the same. Continued the chase, and at four captured the French cutter privateer La Rancune, commanded by Ant. Fran. Vic. Jos. Panpeville, manned with 21 men, and carrying 2 swivel guns, small arms, &c. From Cherbourg 26 hours; had made no other captures than the two brigs before-mentioned, which she had taken that morning.

I have the honour to be, &c.

W. SHEPHEARD.

Sir Peter Parker, Bart. Admiral of the White, Commander in Chief, &c.

Copy of a letter from Capt. EDWARD BULLER, commanding the sea-fencibles along the coast of Devon, dated Dartmouth, 10th January 1799.

SIR,

I beg leave to acquaint you, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that the brig Sufannah left this port yesterday morning at seven o'clock, for Torbay, and was captured while at anchor off West Down Head, five miles from this place, at half past one P. M. by the French privateer L'Heureux Speculateur, mounting fourteen guns.— The Brixham sea-fencibles, perceiving an armed vessel, concluded her to be an enemy; and, from her boarding the above brig, supposed she had captured her; in consequence of which went off in a boat armed with pikes and musquets, succeeded in recapturing the brig, which on their appearance was deserted by the Frenchmen, whom they also pursued and took.

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