

*City of Worcester.*

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*Town of Nottingham.*

Robert Smith, of the Town of Nottingham, Esq;  
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Admiralty-Office, May 28, 1796.

*Copy of a Letter from Captain Thomas Fremantle, of His Majesty's Ship Inconstant, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated off Bassia, April 27, 1796.*

S I R,

I Have the Honor of inclosing, for the Information of their Lordships, the Copy of a Letter from me to Sir John Jervis, Knight of the Bath.

I am, &c. &c.

THO. F. FREMANTLE.

*Inconstant, at Sea, April 23, 1796.*

S I R,

I Have the Honor to inform you, that on the 19th, cruising near Tunis, I received an Account that a French Frigate had been seen off Cape Mabera, near Bon; I therefore made Sail for that Place, and, on the Evening of the 20th, perceived a Ship under French Colours at Anchor on the Coast, which I came to, by, and directed to strike; this was prudently complied with: She is called L'Unité, a Corvette of 14 Guns and 218 Men. The Crew had made an Attempt to set her on Fire, but by the Exertions of Lieutenant Hutchinson it was soon extinguished: Had the Ship been of equal Force with the Inconstant, I have every Reason to believe it would have afforded me a further Proof of the Spirit and Steadiness of every Officer and Person on Board the Ship I command.

I am, &c. &c.

THO. FRA. FREMANTLE.

*Sir John Jervis, K. B. Admiral of the Blue, and Commander in Chief, &c. &c. &c.*

Admiralty-Office, May 31, 1796.

*Copy of a Letter from Captain N. Tomlinson, Commander of His Majesty's Sloop La Suffisante, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated off Falmouth, May 28, 1796.*

S I R,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that being on a Cruize, in His Majesty's Sloop La Suffisante under my Command, the Lizard bearing N. N. E. Distance Fifteen Leagues, early Yesterday Morning, we discovered a Sail, about Six Miles to Windward, and immediately stood for her, and, after a Chace of Eleven Hours, came up with her among the Rocks between Ushant and the Main, she having endeavoured to make her Escape to Breit through the Passage Le Four; but I was enabled to cut her off, by the superior Sailing of the Suffisante. We engaged her close on Board for Half an Hour, when she struck, and proves to be the Revanche Brig,

Bermudas built, a remarkable fast Sailer, pierced for Fourteen Guns, mounting Twelve long Four-Pounders, and Eighty-five chosen Men, commanded by Monsieur George Henri Draveman, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, an old and experienced Seaman. She was Five Days from Havre, bound on a Cruize, but had taken nothing.

I am particularly obliged to the Officers and Crew of the Suffisante, for their cool and determined Conduct, both in working and fighting the Sloop, when the utmost Exertions were necessary to prevent the Enemy from escaping, and to avoid the Rocks by which we were surrounded, on a Lee Shore.

I am happy to add that there was but One Seaman wounded on Board the Suffisante. The Revanche had Two Men killed and Seven wounded. I am now proceeding to Plymouth, in Company with the Prize, and hope we shall arrive there To-night.

I am, &c.

NICHOLAS TOMLINSON.

Admiralty-Office, May 31, 1796.

*Extract of a Letter from Commodore Sir John Warren to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated La Pomone, at Sea, May 25, 1796.*

I Beg you will inform their Lordships, that I on this Day captured La Fantasie, a Republican Privateer, Copper-bottomed, mounting 14 Guns and 75 Men, from Morlaix, on a Craize. She had been only One Day from the above Port, and had not taken any Thing.

Whitehall, May 31.

*As several Artificers and Manufacturers, Subjects of Great Britain, have, from Time to Time, gone into Foreign Countries to exercise their several Callings, contrary to the Laws of these Kingdoms, the following Abstracts of Acts of Parliament of Their late Majesties King George the First and Second and of His present Majesty, for preventing such Practices, are published, for the Information of all Persons who may be ignorant of the Penalties they may incur by Disobedience to them: And it will be observed, that such Penalties likewise extend to those who are any ways concerned or instrumental in the Sending or Enticing Artificers or Manufacturers out of these Kingdoms, or in the Exportation of the Tools and Instruments used by them, as well as to the Artificers or Manufacturers themselves.*

*Statute 5 George I. Chap. 27.*

I F any Person shall contract with, entice, or solicit, any Artificer in Wool, Iron, Steel, Brads, or other Metal, Clock-maker, Watch-maker, or any other Artificer of Great Britain, to go into Foreign Countries out of the King's Dominions, and shall be convicted thereof, upon Indictment or Information in any of the Courts at Westminster, or at the Assizes or Quarter-Sessions, he shall be fined any Sum not exceeding ONE HUNDRED POUNDS for the first Offence, and shall be imprisoned Three Months, and till the Fine be paid. And if any Person having been once convicted shall offend again