

Admiralty-Office, May 2, 1797.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Harvey, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at the Leeward Islands, to Ewan Nepean, Esq; dated on Board the Prince of Wales, Fort Royal Bay, Martinique, March 19, 1797.

S I R,

I AM to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that His Majesty's Ship Lapwing, on the 15th Ult. fell in with, to the Northward of Bermuda, and captured a Spanish Privateer Brig, called the St. Christopher, Nineteen Days from the Havanna, on a Cruize, mounting 18 Guns, and having 120 Men on Board, commanded by Antonio La Porte, which Captain Barton sent to the Island of St. Christopher. You will likewise be pleased to acquaint their Lordships, that His Majesty's Sloop Bittern, being on a Cruize off Barbadoes, fell in with, on the 15th Instant, and captured La Casca, French Privateer, belonging to Guadaloupe, mounting Six Carriage Guns, and having on Board 50 Men, which Captain Lavie sent into Barbadoes. It gives me much Satisfaction that this Privateer is taken, as she is a very fast sailer, and has done much Mischief to the Trade.

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Copy of a Letter from Sir Richard Strachan, Bart. Captain of His Majesty's Ship Diamond, to Ewan Nepean, Esq; dated Cape L'Huve, April 27, 1797, S. S. E. 12 Leagues.

S I R,

I Have to acquaint you, for their Lordships Information, that His Majesty's Ship Diamond, under my Command, this Morning fell in with and took a French Cutter Privateer called the Esperana, belonging to St. Maloes: She had not taken any English Vessels, but had Yesterday retained an American Ship, the Juliana, of Baltimore, bound to Bremen, and sent her into a French Port.

Admiralty-Office, March 31, 1797.

NOTwithstanding the Notices which have already appeared in the London Gazette, requiring all Lieutenants of His Majesty's Navy, who shall be unemployed, to give Information to this Office of the Places of their Abode, many of them have omitted to comply therewith; It is therefore the Direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that such Lieutenants do immediately transmit hither the Information above required; and that such of them as are incapable, either from Age or bodily Infirmary, of further Service, do, at the same Time, transmit an Affidavit from a qualified Surgeon of such Inability, specifying therein the Cause or Causes thereof, that their Lordships may judge how far it may be proper to call for the further Services of such Lieutenants.

In case the same Disregard should be paid to this as hath been shewn to the former Notices, it is their Lordships Intention to mark their Disapprobation of the Conduct of such Officers in the strongest Manner, by striking their Names off the List of Lieutenants of His Majesty's Navy.

Ewan Nepean.

Navy-Office, April 27, 1797.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Tuesday the 9th of next Month, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, Commissioner Fanshawe will put up

to Sale, at his Office in His Majesty's Dock Yard, near Plymouth, several Lots of old Stores, consisting of

Fir Deals, Plank, and Square Timber.
Old Canvas.
Hammocks.
Rope.
Boltrope.
Rounding and Lashing.
Flyings.
White Ocham.
Toppings.
Hemp Rubbish.

lying in the said Yard; where any Person wishing to become Purchasers, may have the Liberty of viewing them during the common Working Hours of the Yard till the Day of Sale.

Inventories and Conditions of Sale may be had here and at the Yard.

Navy-Office, April 28, 1797.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Thursday the 11th of next Month, at One o'Clock, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be willing to contract for a Quantity of Swedish Iron and Spanish Squares and Flats, to be delivered at His Majesty's Yards at Deptford, Woolwich, Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth, Distributions of which, and a Form of the Tender, may be seen at this Office.

No Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock nor any noticed unless the Party, or an Agent for him, attends.

Transport-Office, April 29, 1797.

THE Commissioners of His Majesty's Transport Office do hereby give Notice, that there is Money in the Hands of the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy to pay the Principal and Interest of the Bills registered on the Course of the Transport Office between the 1st and 29th of February, 1796.

And all Persons possessed of the same are desired to bring them to this Office to be assigned for Payment.

All Persons who hold the said Bills are desired to subscribe their Names and Places of Abode at the Bottom of each Bill.

SUGARS and GINGER,

FOR Sale, by Order of the Honorable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long-Room at the Custom-House, London, on Thursday the 11th of May, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10½ Casks each.

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70	—	—	Barbadoes.
56	4	—	Antigua.
36	15	4	St. Kitt's.
69	5	—	Tortola.
—	—	60	Barbadoes Ginger.

The Samples to be viewed at Wycherley's Yard, opposite Bear Quay, on Wednesday the 10th and Thursday the 11th.

Charitable Corporation, April 29, 1797.

THE Committee of the said Corporation desire to meet the Proprietors on Friday the 5th of May next, at the Crown and Anchor Tavern, in the Strand, at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, where a Dinner will be provided for them by Four.

Roger Thompson, Sec.