

*Return of Killed and Wounded in an Action between His Britannic Majesty's Sloop Petterell, Francis William Austen, Esq. Commander, and the French National Brig La Ligurienne, commanded by Citizen Francis Auguste Pelabon, Lieutenant de Vaisseau.*

*Petterell.*—None killed or wounded.

*La Ligurienne.*—The Captain and 1 Seaman, killed; 1 Garde Marine and 1 Seaman, wounded.

Admiralty-Office, May 9, 1800.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Dickson, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the North Sea, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated the 7th May, 1800.*

SIR,

BE pleased to acquaint my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that His Majesty's hired Armed Lugger *Lady Ann*, commanded by Lieutenant Wright, arrived Yesterday from off Flushing, and brought in with her *Les Huit Freres*, French Privateer, mounting Fourteen Guns, which she captured on the 4th Instant.

I enclose, for their Lordships' Information, Lieutenant Wright's Letter to me on the Subject, and I beg Leave to recommend his Zeal to their Lordships' Notice. I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

ARCHIBALD DICKSON.

*His Majesty's Hired Armed Lugger, Lady Ann, Yarmouth Road, May 6, 1800.*

SIR,

I Have the Honor to acquaint you, that in pursuance of Orders I received from A. Dickson, Esq. Captain of His Majesty's Ship *Veteran*, I proceeded off Flushing and explored that Anchorage in the Lugger under my Command, and having done so and seeing nothing in the Road, on returning to join the Squadron Yesterday off Goree, I fell in with *Les Huit Freres*, French Lugger Privateer, mounting Fourteen long Carriage Guns, (Nine of which he hove overboard,) when, after a close Action of One Hour and Thirty-Five Minutes, she struck, close to the Batteries along Shore, West Capel S. S. W. Two Miles. I attribute the long Continuance of the Action to the unsuitableness of the Guns of the Lugger; however, during that Period, I was very ably seconded by the professional Skill of Mr. David Banks, Master, and by the Bravery of the Crew of the *Lady Ann*.

It gave me very great Pleasure in making this Capture, and particularly as it was the Means of liberating from Captivity, Fifteen Subjects of His Majesty, who had been captured by that Vessel.

Upon taking Possession of *Les Huit Freres*, I found her so much shattered, that I was obliged to see her into Port and to get rid of so many Prisoners as well as to repair our own Damages.

I am, Sir, &c. &c. &c. J. WRIGHT.

*To Archibald Dickson, Esq. Vice Admiral of the Red.*

Admiralty-Office, May 9, 1800.

*Copy of a Letter from Captain Wolley, of His Majesty's Ship Arctusa, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated at Sea, 30th April, 1800.*

SIR,

I Have to acquaint you, for their Lordships' Information, that on the 1st of this Month, having been driven from off the Bar of Oporto by bad Weather,

we fell in with and captured the French Cutter Privateer the General Bernadotte, of Fourteen Guns, and Fifty-seven Men, belonging to Bourdeaux, but from Vigo.

I am, Sir, &c. &c. &c.

T. WOLLEY.

Admiralty-Office, May 10, 1800.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord Keith, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, dated on board the Minotaur, off Genoa, April 18, 1800.*

I Have the Satisfaction of acquainting you, for the Information of their Lordships, that the Guillaume Tell having attempted to escape from Malta on the Evening of the 29th Ultimo, was intercepted and captured the following Morning by His Majesty's Ships *Lion*, *Foudroyant*, and *Penelope*; but as I have not yet received Captain Dixon's Account of the Particulars of the Action, or of the Loss which has been sustained, I must take another Opportunity of communicating them. I understand, however, that the Enemy was completely dismasted before she struck, and that the *Lion* and *Foudroyant* have had killed and wounded about Forty Men each.

Admiralty-Office, May 10, 1800.

LETTERS received this Morning from Lord Keith dated the 21st of April, mention several important Advantages gained by the Austrians in the Vicinity of Genoa, under the Walls of which Place the French have been obliged to concentrate their Force. In many Attacks the Fire of the English Ships was employed with considerable Effect.

The Messenger reports that he saw an English Ship towing a captured Dutch Ship of the Line (with a Frigate or Sloop) into Yarmouth-Roads.

Downing-Street, May 10, 1800.

A Dispatch, of which the following is an Extract, has been received this Morning from the Honorable William Wyndham, His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Florence, by the Right Honorable Lord Grenville, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Foreign Department.

Florence, April 29, 1800.

THE latest News arrived this Morning from the Vicinity of Genoa states, that Massena, having been beat a second Time at Voltri on the 18th Instant, was obliged to take Refuge, with the Remains of his Army, within the Walls of Genoa; and that all the strong Posts and Forts without the City were in the Hands of the Combined Powers, under the Command of General Melas and Admiral Lord Keith.

War-Office, May 10, 1800.

*Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, Cornet John Horsley to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Lorraine, who retires.*

*Charles Thorold Wood, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Horsley.*

*Lieutenant Charles Chad, from the 92d Foot, to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Butcher, promoted.*