

and One Hundred and Thirty Men, out Twenty Days from Passage, but had only made One Capture, the William Brig of London, from Saint Michael's, loaded with Fruit.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

THOMAS TWYSDEN.

Right Honorable Lord Gardner, Admiral
of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, March 3, 1801.

Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Captain Robert Stopford, of His Majesty's Ship Excellent, in Quiberon-Bay, to Earl St. Vincent, the 23d February 1801.

MY LORD,

I Have the Honor to acquaint your Lordship, that on the Night of the 20th Instant, I sent the Boats of the Excellent to endeavour to bring off a Cutter and a Sloop which were at Anchor near the Point of Quiberon; unfortunately that same Evening, after Dark, a large Chasse Marée with Troops on board, going to the Island of Belleisle, had taken her Station close to the above Vessels, the Resistance which the Boats met with was consequently much greater than there was at first Reason to expect; this Circumstance did not, however, prevent Lieutenant Church (having the Command of the Boats) from making the Attack upon the Chasse Marée, in which he gallantly persevered, till being badly wounded himself, and Two Men killed in his Boat, he was obliged to retire; the other Boats under the Command of Messrs. Crawford and Manning, (Midshipmen,) resolutely boarded and succeeded in bringing off the Cutter called L'Arc, an Armed Vessel in the Service of the Republic, commanded by an Ensigne de Vaisseau, and employed as Convoy to and from Belleisle; this Vessel had also on board a Detachment of Troops, who were made Prisoners, and who made the Vessel's Force much superior to that of the Assaultants.

R. STOPFORD.

Admiralty-Office, March 3, 1801.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Humphrey Gibson, Master of the Lord Nelson Private Ship of War, to Evan Nepean, Esq; dated Plymouth-Sound, 28th February 1801.

SIR,

BE pleased to inform the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, on the 26th Instant, at Three P. M. being between the Isle of Wight and Portland, a Lugger hove in Sight to Leeward, with a large Sail in Chace of her; conceiving I might cut her off, I instantly bore away in a Direction for that Purpose, and, after a Chace of Four Hours, had the good Fortune to effect it, and being about to board her, she struck her Colours. On taking Possession of her I found her to be the Espoir Lugger Privateer, Monsieur Alexis Basset, Commander, mounting Fourteen Carriage-Guns, with Seventy-five Men, had sailed only Two Days before from Saint Maloes, and had taken nothing. The Sail in Chace proved to be His Majesty's Frigate L'Oiseau, Lord Augustus Fitzroy, Commander, which came up as we were exchanging Prisoners. None Killed or Wounded.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

HUMPHREY GIBSON.

Commission in the 1st Royal Regiment of Tower-Hamlets Militia, signed by the Deputy Lieutenants. Dated February 25, 1801.

Benjamin Bond, Gent. to be Ensign.

Commission in the Seventh Regiment of North British Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant. Dated January 25, 1801.

Sir David Hunter Blair, Bart. to be Captain, vice Mure, resigned.

ERRATUM in the Gazette of the 31st Ultimo.

Commissions in the Seventh North British Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

For James Callender, Gent. to be Ensign, Commission dated 6th May 1799, read 6th May 1800. Andrew Hair, Gent. to be Ditto, Commission dated 25th May 1799, read 25th May 1800.

War-Office, Dublin-Castle, February 18, 1801.

HIS Majesty has been pleased to make the following Promotions in the Army on this Establishment:

72d Foot, Lieutenant Thomas White to be Adjutant, without Purchase, vice Campbell, resigned. Dated November 15, 1800.

Ensign William Fraser to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Paris, promoted in the 5th West India Regiment. Dated December 31, 1800.

Quarter-Master-Serjeant Alexander Murray to be Quarter Master, without Purchase, vice Sutherland, resigned. Dated as above.

Whitehall, February 24, 1801.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that several seditious and inflammatory Hand-Bills have lately been dispersed in the Town of Holford, with a View to excite the Populace to Acts of Outrage;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in writing and dispersing the Hand-Bills above-mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any One of them (except the Person who actually wrote the same,) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

PORTLAND.

And, as a further Encouragement, a Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS is hereby promised to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid on the Conviction of any One or more of the Offenders by

John Hawkins, Esq; Mayor.

Transport-Office, Feb. 27, 1801.

THE Commissioners for conducting His Majesty's Transport Service, &c. do hereby give Notice, that on Thursday the 5th of March, they propose to receive Tenders of Two Ships for the Conveyance of Convicts, Stores, &c. to New South Wales. The Ships to be from Four to Six Hundred Tons each; and the Conditions upon which they will be engaged may be known upon Application at the Office.

The Authority of the Owner for visiting the Ships must be annexed to each Tender, if offered by an Agent; and no Tender will be received after Twelve o'Clock, nor any noticed, unless the Party, or an Agent for him, shall personally attend.

A. Whitehead, Secretary.