

Terms more or less favourable, according to the Degree of Force and Time which you may oblige me to employ to reduce you to this Extremity: thus, Sir, you see that the Terms of the Surrender of the Post depend upon yourself To-day;—in the Hope of an Answer which will spare Blood on both Sides,

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) W. SIDNEY SMITH.

To the Commandant of the French Troops at Capri.

Capri, 11th May 1806.

The Commandant of Capri to Rear-Admiral Sidney Smith.

I Received, Sir, your Letter dated this Day, and for Answer I have to observe to you, that a true Soldier does not surrender till he has tried his Force with that which attacks him. You are, Sir, too good and brave a Soldier to blame me if I do not accept your polite Invitation.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) CHERVET, Capt. 101st Reg.

Island of Capri, May 12, 1806.

Captain L'Etang, commanding the French Troops, to Sir Sidney Smith, Rear-Admiral of the English Squadron.

GOOD Fortune having favoured you, together with the Advantage you had in landing, oblige me to make you the following Proposals.

To give up to you the Town of Capri and all the Island, reserving to myself for my Honor, and that of the Troops I command, the Liberty of returning to Naples, with Arms and Baggage, at the Time which it shall please you to grant me. I expect this Generosity from your Hands to avoid Bloodshed on both Sides; in Default of which I shall be obliged to continue till Extinction.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

L'ETANG.

CAPITULATION.

Capri, at Midnight, the 11-12th June 1806.

IN consequence of the good Conduct of the Officers and Troops of the Garrison of Capri, the English Commanders have granted the following Articles; to wit,

Art. I. The Officers, Subalterns, and Soldiers shall embark as soon as possible, with the Arms and Baggage belonging to them.

Art. II. They shall be conveyed to Pozzuoli.

Art. III. The English Officers engage to cause the French Troops to be respected as much as possible during the Time they shall be in their Power.

Art. IV. The French Officers make the same Engagement towards the Troops and Vessels which shall transport them to their Destination.

This present Treaty was concluded at Midnight of the 11-12th of May 1806, between Captain Charles Rowley, Captain of the Ship, and M. L'Etang, Captain of the 22d Reg. of Light Infantry, commanding in the Island of Capri.

To which have signed

(Signed) L'ETANG.

CHARLES ROWLEY.

No. 15940.

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N. B. The Commandant since wishing to disembark with his Troops at Massa, invites the English Admiral to grant it him.

Approved,

(Signed) W. SIDNEY SMITH.

List of the Killed and Wounded in taking Capri,
May 12, 1806.

Eagle—Lieutenant James Crawly, First Lieutenant, slightly wounded; 1 Seaman and 1 Marine killed; 4 Seamen and 6 Marines wounded.

List of the Killed and Wounded in the Sortie of Gaeta,
May 15, 1806.

Divisions of the Boats detached from the Juno—4 Seamen killed and Five Seamen wounded.

(Signed) W. SIDNEY SMITH.

His Majesty's Ship Juno, Gaeta,
May 14, 1806.

SIR,

THE Enemy having erected a Battery of Four Guns on the Point of La Madonna della Catterra, His Serene Highness the Prince of Hesse ordered Sixty Men from the Garrison to be embarked in Four Fishing Boats; and, on the Night of the 12th, I proceeded with the Juno's Boats, armed, accompanied by those of His Sicilian Majesty's Frigate Minerva, commanded by Captain Vieugna, and landed the Troops, undiscovered, in a small Bay in the Rear of the Enemy's Works. Lieutenant Parisio, who commanded the Party, having advanced, the Enemy abandoned the Post, after firing to alarm their Camp; but, before they could arrive with Reinforcement, the Guns were spiked, the Gun Carriages destroyed, and the Troops re-embarked without any Loss.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) H. RICHARDSON.

Sir William Sidney Smith, K. S. Rear-Admiral of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.

His Majesty's Ship Juno, at Gaeta,
May 16, 1806.

SIR,

HIS Serene Highness the Prince of Hesse Philipthal, having signified to me on the 14th Instant, his Intention of making a Sortie early on the following Day, to attack the French Lines, and directing me to have the necessary Arrangements made, that the Boats might co-operate with and support the Troops from the Garrison, I caused the Gun-Boats to be divided into Three Divisions, (Four in each) and delivered Copies of the enclosed Order to Captain Vieugna of His Sicilian Majesty's Frigate Minerva, and Lieutenants Le Chevalier Belliamo and Valguarrier.

The Sortie took place precisely at Half past Eight o'Clock yesterday Morning, and was attended with Success; the Neapolitan Troops having driven the Enemy out of their Trenches, and taken the Serapo Battery, (the Guns of which they spiked,) returned into the Garrison with little Loss, bringing in with them a Captain of Eugineers and some others, their Prisoners, the Number I have not yet learnt.

They were supported in their Attack and Retreat, on their Left along the Shore of Serapo by the Boats of this Ship, armed under the Direction of Lieutenant Wells of the Navy, and Lieutenant Mant of