

the Marines, and the first Division of Gun-Boats, which I took the Command of; and on their Right by the second Division, under the Orders of Lieutenant Valguirna;—the third Division (having embarked Fifty Men from the Garrison) were ordered with the Minerva Frigate, to make a Diversion on the other Side of the Bay; but, owing to a Calm, the Minerva could not reach her Station, though the Boats succeeded in landing the Troops, and brought off some Cattle; the Fire from this Division, having kept in Check and prevented from advancing a considerable Body of the Enemy's Cavalry, which were sent to attack the Party landed.

The Loss of the Garrison I have not yet understood; that of the Boats are, first Division, Two killed; second Division, two killed, and Five wounded. The Enemy must have suffered considerably, as more than One Hundred Muskets have been brought in.

I think it my Duty to recommend to your Notice, on account of their good Conduct and Courage, the Lieutenants of His Sicilian Majesty's Navy, Le Chevalier Belfamo, Valguirna, and Pughefe.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

H. RICHARDSON.

*Sir W. S. Smith, K. S. Rear-Admiral of the Blue, &c. &c. &c.*

Admiralty-Office, July 29, 1806.

*Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord Collingwood, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board the Ocean, off Cadiz, the 1st July 1806.*

SIR,

I ENCLOSE to be laid before the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Copy of a Letter transmitted to me by Rear-Admiral Sir William Sidney Smith, from Captain Fellowes, of the Apollo, stating the Capture of a French Brig, laden with Brass Ordnance, intended for the Enemy's Batteries which they have raised opposite the Pharos of Messina.

I am, &c.

COLLINGWOOD.

SIR,

*Apollo, June 10, Messina.*  
I ARRIVED here this Evening with a French Brig laden with Six Twenty-four-Pounders, Brass, their Shot and Carriages, taken on the Night of the 5th Instant, near the Agie Finucana, in the Gulph of Toronto, where she had run a-ground, her Crew having stove her, and landed to defend her, assisted by the Armed Force in the Neighbourhood. The almost continual Fire during the Night, of their Musketry, aided by a large Field Piece, could not prevent the Officers and Crews of the Boats I dispatched on this Service from having her off towards the Morning. I have more Satisfaction in having performed this Service as I conceive, from the Course she was steering when I first saw her, that those Guns were intended for the new Batteries opposite the Pharos. One Seaman only was wounded on our Part.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) E. FELLOWES.

*Sir W. S. Smith.*

Admiralty-Office, July 29, 1806.

*Copy of a Letter from the Honorable Rear-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels at the Leeward Islands, to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board the Northumberland, at Sea, the 26th June 1806.*

SIR,

HIS Majesty's Schooner Morne Fortunée having captured a French Schooner Privateer, I inclose, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Copy of Lieutenant Brown's Letter to me, giving on Account thereof:

I have the Honor to be, &c.

ALEX. COCHRANE.

SIR, *Morne Fortunée, at Sea, June 19, 1806.*

I HAVE the Honor of acquainting you, on the 18th Instant, I observed a suspicious Sail to Leeward, I bore up, and made all sail in chase; at Thirty Minutes after Seven, A. M. after a Chace of Two Hours, came up with and captured the French Privateer Schooner Hope, from St. Pierre's, Martinique; out Seven Days upon a Cruize, (taken nothing,) mounting Four Carriage Guns, and manned with Forty-four Men; previous to our capturing her, she, in a Squall, carried away her Mainmast and Foretop-Mast.

I have no Intelligence of any other Privateer being on the Coast.

I am, &c.

JOHN BROWN.

*To the Honorable Alexander Cochrane, Rear-Admiral of the White, &c. &c. &c.*

*Whitehall, July 19, 1806.*

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Sir Rupert George, Knight, Ambrose Serle, James Bowen, John Douglas, Esquires, John Harnes, Doctor of Physic, and George Henry Toury, Esquire, to be His Majesty's Commissioners for conducting the Transport Service, for the Care of Sick and Wounded Seamen, and for the Care and Custody of Prisoners of War.

*War-Office, July 29, 1806.*

S T A F F.

Samuel Chollet, Esq; to be Commissary-General of Stores, Provisions, and Forage to the Forces serving in the West Indies.

Gabriel Wood, Esq; to be Commissary of Accompts to the said Forces.

John Wood, Esq; to be Commissary of Accompts to the Forces serving in the Mediterranean.

William Jackson, Gent. to be an Assistant Commissary of Stores, Provisions, and Forage to the Forces.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Somerset.*

*Bath Regiment of Volunteer Infantry.*

Benjamin Williams, Esq; to be Captain, vice John Brander, resigned. Dated July 8, 1806.

Isaac Williams, Gent. to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Stone, resigned. Dated as above.

William White, Gent. to be ditto, vice Robert Shew, resigned. Dated as above.

George T. Edwards to be ditto, vice William Taylor, resigned. Dated as above.