

on him; and in Ten Minutes forced him to cut his Cables, and run on Shore. I think that some of our Shot must have struck him between Wind and Water, as he was not Two Minutes on Shore before she was full of Water, and fell on her Broadside; at that Time our Grape Shot was going over him. She was one of the largest Privateers on the Station; I am informed mounted Ten Guns, Two long Twenty-four-Pounders, and Two long Six-Pounders, and Six Twelve-Pounder Carronades; said to have betwixt Ninety and One Hundred Men on board, of which he must have lost a great Number, as the Surf was high on the Beach, which prevented me from sending my Boats in to cut away his Masts, which was the only Thing that could be done, as the Sea was going half Mast up on board of him; they brought a heavy Gun down on Shore to bear on us, but I am happy to inform your Lordship did us no Damage; I have no Person hurt on board. On the 28th, I stood into the Bay to see what was become of him; found him a complete Wreck, with his Mizen Mast over the Side.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) W. RAITT.

To the Right Hon. Lord Collingwood, Commander in Chief, &c. &c. &c.

Admiralty-Office, May 9, 1807.

Copy of another Letter from Vice-Admiral Lord Collingwood to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board the Ocean, off Cadix, April 8, 1807.

SIR,

I INCLOSE to you a Letter from Captain Seccombe, of His Majesty's Ship the Glatton, informing me, that the Boats of that Ship, under the Orders of Lieutenant Watson, had attacked and captured a Turkish Ship of Ten Guns, lying in the Port of Sigri. I am sorry to add Lieutenant Watson and Four Marines were killed in this Attack, and Nine Men wounded; a List of them I inclose; and am, Sir, &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) COLLINGWOOD.

His Majesty's Ship Glatton, off Tenedos, 5th March, 1807.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to acquaint you, that, from Information I had obtained of one of the annual Turkish Ships from Alexandria bound to Constantinople, being at an Anchor in the Port of Sigri, I felt it my Duty to detach, on the 1st Instant, the Boats of His Majesty's Ship Glatton, under the Orders of Lieutenant Edward Watson, for the Purpose of surprising and capturing her, covered by His Majesty's Brig L'Hirondelle, in which I have the Satisfaction to inform you they completely succeeded, and have, this Evening, brought her to an Anchorage off Tenedos.

On this Occasion I am sorry to add the Service has to lament the Loss of Lieutenant Watson, who commanded the boarding Party, together with that of One Serjeant, One Corporal, and Two Private Marines, killed; and Four Seamen and Five Marines, wounded.

For your fuller Information I have to state, she proves to be a Vessel that had formerly been a French Corvette, of Eighteen Guns, Ten of which were mounted.

The Conduct of Lieutenant Skinner, of His Majesty's Brig L'Hirondelle, as also that of Lieute-

nants Truffon and Sandwith, of the Royal Marines, and of the Seamen and Marines composing this Detachment, has been such as to merit the highest Commendation.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

THOMAS SECCOMBE.

Vice-Admiral Sir J. T. Duckworth, K. B.

&c. &c. &c.

Return of Officers, Seamen, and Marines killed and wounded in the Service of cutting out a Turkish Ship in the Port of Sigri.

Edward Watton, Lieutenant, killed.  
William Wright, Serjeant of Marines, ditto.  
John Meredith, Corporal of Marines, ditto.  
Charles White, Private of Marines, ditto.  
John Norwood, Private of Marines, ditto.  
Isaac Hamilton, Seaman, wounded.  
William Williams (2), Seaman, ditto.  
William Leigh, Seaman, ditto.  
William Jackson, Seaman, ditto.  
Robert Scale, Private of Marines, ditto.  
Isaac Holbrook, Private of Marines, ditto.  
James Oldige, Private of Marines, ditto.  
John Brown, Private of Marines, ditto.  
Thomas Battle, Private of Marines, ditto.

Total—5 killed and 9 wounded—14.

THOMAS SECCOMBE, Captain.

His Majesty's Ship Glatton, March 5, 1807.

Admiralty-Office, May 9, 1807.

Copy of a Letter from Captain M<sup>r</sup> Kinley, of His Majesty's Ship the Lively, to William Marsden, Esq; dated in the Tagus, the 24th April, 1807.

SIR,

BE pleased to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, having received Information of a small Spanish Privateer plundering a Dane off the Burlings, I directed Lieutenant Hemings, of the Richmond Gun-Brig, to proceed off there, and endeavour to take and destroy her. And I have much Pleasure in inclosing a Copy of Lieutenant Hemings's Letter to me of the 20th Instant, informing me of his having done so; and much Credit is due to his Sub-Lieutenant, Mr. Bush, for his gallant Conduct in effecting it, against a Superiority of Force opposed to, and ready to receive, him.

I have sent Eleven of the Prisoners on board the Fortunée, to be sent to England by the first Conveyance; the other, being badly wounded, remains on board this Ship.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) GEORGE M<sup>r</sup> KINLEY.

His Majesty's Brig Richmond, April 20, 1807.

SIR,

AGREEABLE to your Order of the 12th, I lost no Time in proceeding off the Burlings; but the Wind blowing hard, with a heavy Sea from the Northward, I did not reach them before the 16th. I continued to beat to the Northward, towards Cape Maudigo, till the 19th, when, seeing a Lugger with Spanish Colours flying, at Anchor in a little Bay, (not laid down in any of my Charts,) about Six Leagues to the Northward of Peruche, I immediately began Preparations for destroying her; and having ordered the Gig and Jolly Boat to be got ready as soon as it was dark, I sent them away, and, about Ten o'Clock, the Boats returned with