

Month, and was ready again for Sea, laden with Coffee. I am happy to add, that not a Man has been lost; the Boatwain's Mate and one Seaman on board the Attentive, one Marine and one Seaman belonging to this Ship, wounded on Shore.

I have, &c.

(Signed) GEORGE MILLER.

To V. V. Ballard, Senior Officer, off Guadaloupe.

*General List of Killed and wounded, Dec. 12, 1809.*

THETIS.

John Holland, Marine; badly wounded.

Thomas Elford, Seaman; slightly wounded.

ATTENTIVE.

Thomas Berry, Boatwain's Mate; severely wounded.

Archibald Champman, Quarter-Master; slightly wounded.

*Pompee, Fort Royal Bay,*

*Dec. 16, 1809.*

SIR,

I SEND for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty the Copy of a Letter from Captain Hawker, of the Melampus, acquainting me with the Capture of a French Corvette, laden with Supplies for Guadaloupe.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

ALEX. COCHRANE.

*His Majesty's Ship Melampus,*

*Dec. 14, 1809.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to acquaint you, His Majesty's Ship under my Command captured this Day, after a Chace of Twenty-eight Hours, Le Bearnais, a French Brig Corvette, of Sixteen Twenty-four Pounder Carronades and One Hundred and Nine Men, including Thirty Soldiers, commanded by Monsieur Montbazen, Lieutenant de Vaisseau; she is perfectly new, laden with Flour and Warlike Stores, from Bayonne to Guadaloupe; she had One Man killed and some wounded, and wounded Two of ours before she struck; Part of the Cargo was thrown overboard during the Chace.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

E. HAWKER.

*The Honourable Sir Alex. Cochrane, K. B.*

*&c. &c. &c.*

*Pompee, under Marie Galante,*

*Dec. 25, 1809.*

SIR,

I HAVE great Pleasure in sending Captain Walker, of His Majesty's Sloop Rosamond's Report of his Success in capturing the Papillon, a French Corvette, having Thirty Soldiers and a Quantity of Flour on Board, intended for the Garrison of Guadaloupe.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) ALEX. COCHRANE.

SIR,

*Rosamond, at Sea, Dec. 19, 1809.*

I HAVE great Satisfaction in acquainting you that, on Sunday the 17th Instant, while running down on the North Side of Grandterre, I received Information from the Boat of a small Privateer belonging to Antigua, commanded by a Mr. Morris, that a French National Brig was between Guada-

loupe and Montserrat; on which I immediately proceeded in the Direction pointed out, and at Noon was fortunate enough to get Sight of her, and, after a Chace of Thirty-eight Hours, she surrendered to His Majesty's Sloop under my Command, close in with Santa Cruz. She is the National Brig Le Papillon, commanded by Monsieur De la Genetiere, Capitaine de Frigate, mounting Fourteen Twenty-four-Pounder Carronades, and two Long Sixes, with One Hundred and Ten Men on board, Thirty of whom are Troops. She was from Bourdeaux, bound to Guadaloupe, had been Thirty-three Days out, with Three Hundred Barrels of Flour on board, Eighty of which she threw overboard during the Chace. The Papillon is a Vessel of large Dimensions, Two Years old, sails fast, and appears to me to be well calculated, in every Point, for His Majesty's Service.

It is a pleasing Part of my Duty to represent to you the Alacrity and Zeal shewn by every Officer and Man under my Command, during the Chace, and I beg to introduce to your Notice Lieutenant Henry Loney, First Lieutenant, who shewed himself on this and all other Occasions a most active and zealous Officer. I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) B. WALKER.

*Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir Alex. Cochrane, K. B.*

*Pompee, under Marie Galante,*

*Dec. 25, 1809.*

SIR,

BEING at Anchor in Fort Royal Bay, Martinique, on the 16th Instant, a Man of War Brig, far in the Offing to Leeward, appeared with a Signal flying that she had been chased by the Enemy's Frigates; I immediately made the Signal to the Perlen, then on her way towards Guadaloupe, to speak the Brig, and to proceed according to the Intelligence she might obtain; the Alceme was ordered to weigh and follow, and the Sceptre, Alfred, and Freija, which had at that Moment joined me, were not allowed to anchor, but to leave their Flat Boats, and proceed also.

So soon as I heard from Captain Weatherall of the Observateur, the Brig which made the Signal, that the Enemy's Frigates, Four in Number, had captured and burnt His Majesty's Ship Junon (belonging to the Halifax Squadron), about One Hundred and Fifty Miles to Windward of Guadaloupe, and that the Observateur had escaped by superior Sailing, I proceeded to Sea with this Ship and the Abercrombie, and arrived off the Saintes early in the Morning of the 18th; and about Noon I was informed by Captain Elliot, of His Majesty's Sloop Pultusk, that Two of the Enemy's Frigates were at Anchor about Three Leagues to the Northward and Westward of the Town of Basseterre; I then directed Captain Fahie, of the Abercrombie, to remain and guard Point-à-Petre, and Captain Watson, of the Alfred, to guard Basseterre, and made all Sail in this Ship with an Intention of attacking the Enemy; but on approaching nearer, I discovered the Sceptre, of the Line, the Blonde, Thetis, Freija, and Castor Frigates, and Cynet, Hazard, and Ringdove Sloops, and Elizabeth Schooner, ready to commence the Attack, I therefore did not interfere with the judicious Arrangement of Captain Ballard of the Sceptre, the Senior Captain, and had only an Opportunity of witnessing

