

Phoebe, La Nereide, having each Two Hundred Troops on board, besides their Crews.

This Squadron escaped from Brest on the Night of the 2d February, and was destined to reinforce Mauritius, having Arms and various other warlike Stores on board.

I beg to apologize for so lengthened a Detail; but few Actions have been fought under such a Variety of peculiarly trying and vexatious Difficulties. I am, however, called upon by my Feelings and a Sense of my Duty, to bear Testimony to the meritorious Conduct of the Officers and Ships Companies of His Majesty's Ships Phoebe and Astraea. To the Discipline of the former I attribute much; but as Captain Hillyar's Merit as an Officer is so generally, and, by you, so particularly appreciated, it is needless for me to comment on it, further than to observe, that the Separation of the Galatea was amply compensated by the Exertion manifested in the Conduct of the Ship he had the Honour to command.

To the Officers, Seamen, and Marines of the Astraea, I am for ever indebted; their cool and steady Conduct when in close Action with the Enemy, and on Fire in several Places from his Wadding, merits my Admiration (particularly having been so recently formed). A Difference in the personal Exertion of each Officer, was not distinguishable; but I cannot allow the Efforts and Judgement of Lieutenant John Baldwin, First of this Ship, to pass without particular Eulogium; I received the greatest Assistance from him, and also from Mr. Nelson, the Master.

The Moment the Phoebe and Astraea are in a State to get to Windward, the Prisoners exchanged, and La Reconnue rendered Sea-worthy, I shall proceed to Tamatave for further Information, as I have Reason to think it in Possession of the Enemy.

I have the Honour to transmit Returns of the Killed and Wounded on board His Majesty's Ships. The Loss on board La Reconnue is excessive—One Hundred and Forty-five Killed and wounded. Galatea having parted Company, no Return.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) C. M. SCHOMBERG, Captain.

Captain Beaver, His Majesty's Ship Nisus,
Senior Officer at the Isle of France.

List of Killed and Wounded on board His Majesty's Ship Astraea, in Action with the Enemy, on the 20th Day of May 1811, off Madagascar.

Killed.

John Williams (1), Seaman.
Richard Wharton, ditto.

Wounded.

Louis Oute, Marine (very dangerously),
Thomas Henley, ditto.
Michael Dunn, ditto.
George Lee, Quarter-Master:
George Snook, Caulker.
George Cuthbert, Seaman (very dangerously);
Stephen Brown, ditto.
John Wright, Captain of the Forecastle.
Thomas Reit, ditto.
William Wilcox, Seaman.

Garret Burne, Seaman:
Thomas Cordall, ditto.
Jacob Debar, ditto.
William Allen, ditto.
Joseph Trotter, Boy.
John Baldwin, First Lieutenant.

2 Seamen killed; 1 Lieutenant, 11 Seamen, 3 Marines, 1 Boy, wounded.

Total killed and wounded—18.

(Signed) C. M. SCHOMBERG, Captain.

List of the Killed and Wounded on board His Majesty's Ship Phoebe, in Action with the Enemy on the 20th Day of May 1811, off Madagascar.

Killed.

James M'Mullen, Armourer.
John Wright, Gunner's-Mate.
Thomas Guest, Sail-Maker's-Mate.
James Weir, Able Seaman.
Peter Lockwood, Ordinary Seaman.
Thomas Smith, Landman.

Slightly wounded.

Mr. John Wilkey, Midshipman.
George Scargill, Boat-Swain's-Mate.
John Lee, Able Seaman.
John Dixon, ditto.
John Roberts, ditto.
Henry Quintenbairn, Ordinary Seaman.
Alexis Bernette, Landman.
John Gillon, ditto.
William James, Supernumerary.
Peter Swift, ditto.
William Knight, ditto (since dead).

Slightly wounded.

John Earl, Yeoman of the Sheets.
John Thomas, ditto.
John Smith, Able Seaman.
David M'Lachlan, ditto.
John Hodskins, Ordinary Seaman.
Matthew Scott, ditto.
Henry Carnell, ditto.
James Melibone, Landman.
Richard Hughes (2), ditto.
Duncan Davidson, ditto.
William Rybourné, Boy 2d Class.
John Roberts, ditto.
Edward Owens, Marine.
Charles Lamps, ditto.

7 Seamen killed; 1 Midshipman, 21 Seamen, 2 Marines, wounded.

Total killed and wounded—37.

(Signed) JAMES HILLYAR, Captain.

List of Killed and Wounded on board His Majesty's Ship Galatea, Woodley Losack, Esq. Captain, in Action with the French Squadron off the Isle of Madagascar, on the 20th May 1811.

Killed.

John Carroll, Landman.
John Roberts, Able Seaman.
John M'Carthy, Landman.
James Varley, Armourer.
John Hendrickson, Ordinary Seaman.