

go, and was bound to Martineco. She is about Fifty Tons Burthen, and laden with Cocoa, &c.

*Extrait of another Letter from the said Capt. Lisle, dated at St. Christophers, July 30. 1711.*

Since my last I have been order'd a Cruising. On the Twenty fifth I anchor'd at St. Christophers, where I water'd, and sail'd from thence the Twenty eighth in the Morning, and was join'd in the Evening by the Panther. The next Morning we discover'd a Sail to the Windward, and gave her Chase: About Noon the Panther, being to the Windward of me, came up with her; and having engag'd her, soon oblig'd her to strike. She prov'd to be the Adventure, laden with Sugar, &c. bound from Martineco to France.

*Extrait of a Letter from Capt. Littleton, Commander in chief of Her Majesty's Ships in the West-Indies, dated on Board the Defiance, in Port-Royal Harbour, Jamaica, Aug. 13. 1711.*

ON the Second Instant we met an English Runner off the West-end of this Island; by whom I sent you Advice of our taking the Vice-Admiral of the Spanish Galeons; and shall now give you a more particular Account of that Action. On the Eleventh of the last Month, the Fleet from Great Britain arriv'd at this Place; and upon certain Information of Monsieur du Cassé's being at Carthagena, as also of the Condition and Strength of the Ships under his Command, I resolv'd to endeavour to intercept him. Accordingly we sail'd from hence the Fifteenth in the Morning, with the Defiance, Salisbury, Salisbury-Prize, Jersey, Nonfuch and Jamaica-Sloop. The Ships wanting Water, we turn'd up to Windward, as far as Donna Maria Bay, on the West end of Hispaniola; and as soon as our Water was fill'd we weigh'd, and stood directly over for the Coast of New Spain. On the Twenty-sixth we saw the Land, eight or ten Leagues to the Windward of Carthagena: But the Salisbury-Prize having sprung her Main-mast, I directed Captain Vernon, in the Jersey, to run down to the Leward, and lye under the Land near Carthagena, whilst the rest of the Ships lay by 'till the Salisbury-Prize had secur'd her Mast, and was come up with us. About Two in the Afternoon, the Jersey made the Signal of seeing of Ships; and between Three and Four a Clock we got sight of five Ships and two Sloops, who stood from us, and got under Boca Checa, which is at the Entrance of Carthagena Harbour. We stood off the greatest part of that Night; but standing in to shore the next Morning, we perceiv'd four Sail of Ships standing athwart us, and chaced them. We soon discover'd one of them to be a large Ship, and the other three small ones; but having little or no Wind all that Day, we came but slowly up with them, notwithstanding the largest of them lay too a long time, believing us, as they have since told us, to be Monsieur du Cassé with his Squadron. As we came nearer to her she hoisted Spanish Colours, and a Flag at the Fore-top-mast Head. Between five and six at Night, the Salisbury-Prize came up with her, and engag'd her, as did the Salisbury soon after; but by that time I had brought the Defiance within Pistol-shot, and was going to fire, she struck her Colours. In the mean time the Jersey made after one of the Merchant-Ships and took her; the Nonfuch pursu'd the other two, but Night coming on, they had the good Fortune to escape. We had but one Man kill'd and six wounded on our side; we cannot yet tell the Loss of the Enemy; the Vice-Admiral receiv'd a Wound by a Small-shot of which he is since dead. It was

the Opinion of the Captains, that we should make the best of our way to this Place, with our Prizes. Upon the Description we have given the Prisoners of the five Ships we saw the Day we arriv'd on the Coast, they assure us, that it must be Monsieur du Cassé with his Squadron; that he himself is in the St. Mitchell, a Ship of seventy four Guns, and has with him the Hercules of sixty; the Griffin of fifty; and two Frigots, one of thirty six Guns, and the other of twenty four; that he had been out of Carthagena but two days, and had been separated from the Spanish Vice-Admiral, and nine Merchant-Men the Day after he came out. We having seen him into Boca Checa, and believing the greatest part of the Merchant Ships to be return'd to Carthagena, and also upon the Assurance we have of their calling in at the Havana, it is agreed, that the most likely Place to intercept them, will be a little to the Leward of Point Pedro Shoals, and that the same Ships we had out with us before, together with the Medway-Prize, do go, and cruise there 'till we receive farther Intelligence, which I expect by Captain Hook in the Jamaica Sloop, whom I have sent over to the Coast with some Spanish Prisoners. The Galeon we have taken, hath sixty Brass Guns mounted, and had Three hundred twenty-five Men on board. The Ship the Jersey took, is a Spanish Merchant-man, of about Four hundred Ton, and Twenty-six Guns, being chiefly laden with Cocoa and Wool.

*A Letter having been sent to Sir James Wishart, one of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 26th Instant, and Sign'd J. T. giving an Account of Abuses committed in the Navy: Their Lordships do hereby give Notice, That if the Person who wrote the said Letter will attend their Lordships at their Office near Whitehall, and give a more particular Account of what he therein Complains of, he shall have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.*

*These are to give Notice, That the Right Honourable the Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain has been Pleas'd to Direct the Payment of all the Arrears, due to the Pensioners belonging to the Chest at Chatham to Lady day last; and that the said Pay will Begin at Chatham, on Tuesday the 30th of October next.*

*Whereas John Henderson, aged near 30 Tears, about 5 Foot 10 Inches high, speaks thick, wears his own Strait Hair, and a dark brown Colour, who was employ'd as an Officer of Excise and Hide-Duties, at Leven, in Fife Collection in Scotland, hath deserted his said Employment, and taken with him the Stamp No 107, for the growing Duties on Hides; and hath been lately seen at Kelso, near the Borders of Scotland: This is to give Notice, that whoever will secure the said Henderson, so as he may be Prosecuted, or the said Stamp recovered, and give notice to Her Majesty's Commissioners for the Duty on Hides, at their Office in St. Martin's-Lane, London, or to the Commissioners of the said Duties at Edinburgh, shall have a suitable Reward for the Service.*

*The Committee for Letting the Cities Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, give notice, that they intend to Let to Farm, the Tolls and Profits of the Market, Fair, and other Particulars in the Borough of Southwark; and that they will receive Proposals for the same on Wednesday the Third Day of October next, at Three of the Cloek in the Afternoon, at the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London: Of which, more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall aforesaid.*

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