

the Close of the Evening, when they all bore E. N. E. at the Distance of about five Leagues. In the Night a Breeze of Wind springing up in the S. W. Quarter, Capt. Geary shaped a Course in order to fall in with them in the Morning, and at Dawn of Day discovered them near each other, about two Leagues Distance in the N. W. Quarter. They consisted of three Ships, one Snow and a Schooner, upon which the Somerset and Rochester immediately chased the two largest Ships, which, on discovering the Somerset and Rochester making Sail towards them, bore away to the Northward, and the other three hauled to the N. W. and before Noon that Day, the Somerset and Rochester took them, in the Latitude of 46 D. 59 M. North, and Longitude 5 D. 8 M. West from the Lizard, one named the Renomee, Burthen 350 Tons, laden chiefly with Pork, Flour, and 200 Musquets; the other the Superb, Burthen 750 Tons, laden with some Provisions, Bale Goods, and several Cases of Small Arms, both Letter of Marque Ships, from Bordeaux 12 Days, bound to Quebeck, having on board 242 Officers and Soldiers of the Royal Regiment of Foreign Volunteers, which, with the Seamen and Passengers, amounted to 391 Prisoners. Capt. Geary writes, that since the above Account he had got the Particulars of the Arms and Powder on Board the said two Ships, viz. 240 Barrels of Powder, and 520 Muskets, and Bayonets, &c. for the Troops at Canada. The Rochester, Capt. Duff, who went in Pursuit of the other French Vessels, did not fall in with any of them; but, on the 3d Instant, in the Latitude of 47 D. 30 M. North, and Longitude of 11 D. 40 M. West from London, took the Postillion Privateer, with 70 Men on Board, belonging to St. Jean de Luz. She had been 13 Days out of Port, but had not taken any Prize. They had disabled the Vessel so much by sawing her Gunnels and Beams while Capt. Duff chased her, that he judged it necessary after taking out the Prisoners to burn her.

Admiralty Office, May 21.

Lieutenant Clements, of his Majesty's Ship Unicorn, has sent an Account, that, on the 30th of April, about Five in the Morning, they saw and gave Chace to a Privateer from St. Maloes, called the Invincible, mounting 24 Guns, 9 Pounds, and 286 Men, and on the 2d Instant, at Five in the Morning, came up with and engaged her, in Lat. 50 N. and 120 Miles to the Westward of Scilly; that during the Action Captain Rawling, Commander of the Unicorn, being shot dead, he, Lieutenant Clements, took the Command and continued the Action 'till the Privateer struck, which was after an Engagement of an Hour and a half, in which she had killed and wounded between 40 and 50 Men, and the Unicorn had the Boatswain, Armourer, and a Marine killed, and five Men wounded. The Prize had on Board the Captain, Lieutenant, Surgeon, and 45 private Men, belonging to a Guernsey Privateer, which they had taken on the 28th of April near Scilly, with their Consort of 24 Six Pounds in Company, who had taken on Board half the Guernsey Prisoners.

The Invincible was carried to Crook Haven, where she arrived on the 4th, and the Prisoners landed on the 8th Instant. On the 9th the Unicorn sailed again in Quest of the Invincible's Consort, called the Comtesse de Noailles Snow Privateer, belonging to Bordeaux, of 14 Guns, 6 and 4 Pounds, and 143 Men on Board, which he came up with the next Day in Lat. 50 D. 20 M. North, and 9 D. West Longitude from London, and took her, after exchanging three Broadfides, and has carried her to Kinsale, where she arrived the 12th Instant, and landed her Prisoners the next Day. And on the 17th Instant the Unicorn arrived at Plymouth with her said two Prizes, the Invincible and Comtesse de Noailles.

Admiralty Office, May 19, 1757.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased, by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June, 1733, to establish certain Rules and Orders for the Relief of Poor Widows of Commission and Warrent Officers of the Royal Navy: These are to give Notice, that Copies of the said Rules and Orders are lodged with the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth; as also with the Clerks of the Checque at Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerness; and with the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinjale; where all such Widows as intend to lay in their Claims, may be informed of all Particulars which entitle them to the Benefit of the said Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpose. But such Widows as live at too great a Distance from the Places above mentioned, may apply by Letter to Mr. Charles Fearn, at the Admiralty Office, who will send them all necessary Information. And the Governors of the said Charity intending to distribute to the Widows of Sea Officers who died before the 30th of August 1732, as well as to the Widows of those who died since that Time, whose Circumstances come within the Rules of the Establishment, such Monies as may be due to them on the 31st of May Instant; This is to give Notice thereof, that any Widows who have not yet applied, and intend to lay in their Claims, may do so as soon as possible; and that all such Widows whose Claims have been already allowed, may send or bring to this Office, by the 31st of this Instant, the Affidavits required by the Rules, in order to their being continued upon the Pension or Bounty.

Trinity-House, London, May 17, 1757.

Notice is hereby given, That a Beacon is placed on the Mapling Sand, in the room of one lately broke away, about One hundred and forty Fathom from the Edge of the Sand, with the following Marks and Bearings, viz. The Reculvers South half East, the Land's End of Sheppey South West, the Blacktail Beacon West South West, the Southermost Land of Shoberg West half South, St. Osib Trees North half East, in eight Feet at Low Water.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship Seaford, who were actually on board at the taking of the French Ship St. Onge, that they, or their lawful Attornies, will be paid their respective Shares of the said Prize, on Board the Seaford, the next Time she returns in Plymouth Sound.

The Recalls will be on the first Wednesday in every Month for three Years, at Mr. John Bicknell's, at the Sign of the Prince George at Plymouth.

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