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THURSDAY, January 12, 1758.

L O N D O N.

ON Saturday the 24th of September, the fine Monument erected in Westminster Abbey to the Memory of Sir PETER WARREN was opened. The Design is, Hercules holding forth the Warrior's Bust, while Britannia, with the Emblems of Plenty at her Side, sits under him deploring the Publick Loss; and behind is a Sail struck, with an Anchor and Cable. On the Monument is this Inscription:

Sacred to the Memory of
SIR PETER WARREN,
Knight of the Bath, Vice Admiral of the Red Squadron of the British Fleet, and Member of Parliament for the City and Liberty of Westminster.

He deriv'd his Descent from an ancient Family of Ireland:
His Fame & Honours from his Virtues & Abilities.
How eminently these were displayed,
With what Vigilance and Spirit they were exerted
In the various Services wherein he had the Honour to command,

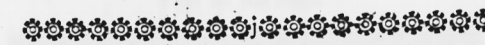
And the Happiness to conquer,
Will be more properly recorded in the Annals of GREAT BRITAIN.

On this Tablet Affection with Truth must say
That deservedly esteem'd in private Life,
And universally renowned for his publick Conduct,

The judicious and gallant Officer
Possessed all the amiable Qualities of the Friend,
The Gentleman, and the Christian:

But the ALMIGHTY,
Whom alone he feared, & whose gracious Protection
He had often experienced,

Was pleas'd to remove him from a Place of Honour
To an Eternity of Happiness,
On the 29th Day of July, 1752, in the 49th
Year of his Age.



From the LONDON GAZETTE.

WHITEHALL, October 15, 1757.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Secretary Pitt, to Sir Edward Hawke, and to Sir John Mordaunt, dated Whitehall, September 15, 1757, dispatched by the Viper Sloop, and received by them on board the Ramilies the 22d Day of September.

S I R,

HIS Majesty, by his Secret Instructions, dated the 5th Day of August last, having directed the Return of the Fleet under your Command, together with the Land Forces on board, "so as to be in England, at, or about, as near as may be, the End of September, unless the Circumstances of the Ships and Forces, shall necessarily require their Return sooner;" I am now to signify to you the King's Pleasure, that you do not consider the abovementioned Time, limited for your Return, as intended, in any Manner, to affect or interfere with the full Execution of the first and principal Object of the Expedition; namely, "Attacking, as far as shall be found practicable, a Descent on the French Coast, at or near Rochefort, in order to attack, if practicable, and, by a vigorous Impression, force that Place, and to burn and destroy, to the utmost of your Power, all Shipping, Docks, Magazines, and Arsenals, that shall be found there; and exert such other Efforts, as shall be judged most proper for annoying the Enemy." And with Regard to any other particular Attempts, which, agreeable to your Orders, you shall have commenced, and in the Execution whereof you shall be actually engaged; It is his Majesty's Pleasure, that you do not desist from, or break up the same, merely and solely on Account of the Time limited

for your Return, by the Instructions abovementioned; but that, notwithstanding the same, you do continue, with the Fleet, during such a farther Number of Days, as may afford a competent Time, for the Completion of any Operation under the above Circumstances: After which you are to take Care to return, with the Fleet under your Command; and the Forces on board, in the Manner directed by your former Instructions.
I am, &c. W. PITT.

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, October 29.

HIS Majesty's Ship the Augusta, commanded by Arthur Forrest, Esq; the Dreadnought, by Morris Suckling, Esq; and the Edinburgh, by William Langdon, Esq; being out on a Cruize to protect our Shipping from falling into the Hands of the French Privateers, who swarm about the Islands out of Number; the Commanding Officer, Capt. Forrest, having had Information that a large Fleet of loaded Merchantmen, under the Convoy of four Ships of the Line, and three Frigates, viz. L'Intrepide, of 74 Guns, Monf. De St. Kurzim; Le Sceptre, 74; L'Opiniatre, 64; the Greenwich, 54; L'Outarde Frigate, 44; Le Savage, and La Licence, of 36 Guns each, were at Cape Francois in Readiness to sail, after looking into the Cape, and making himself sure that the above Account was true, immediately gave Admiral Coates Notice of their Situation and Number, by a small Tender called the Flying Fish, belonging to the Emilia Privateer, the sole Property of Augustine Merida, Esq; who had been out to carry Provisions to the Emilia, and was returning to Jamaica, not being able to meet with her; Capt. Forrest ordered the Master of the Tender to make all possible Haste to Port-Royal, to deliver his Letter to the Admiral, which the Master of the Sloop did, and happily arrived safe with the News, and also that the little Squadron were resolved to block up the Cape till the Admiral could send a Reinforcement to them; after this Capt. Forrest, having an Opportunity to write again, apprehensive that the Flying Fish might fall into the Hands of a French Privateer, wrote a second Letter by a Sloop, which either through the Perfidy or Neglect of the Master, was not thrown overboard when the Sloop fell into the Hands of the French; therefore they, i. e. the French, soon got Information of Capt. Forrest's Intention, and it was near three Weeks after the Arrival of the Flying Fish, before the Ships were got ready to go to their Assistance; at last, about the 12th Instant, the Princess Mary, and Lively went out, and at the same Time a small Fleet of Merchantmen, and the Pacquet; we are not informed how far they had Directions to convoy the Fleet and Pacquet, but they never joined the Squadron as expected, by which Means their vigilant Look-out and gallant Intention was in a great Measure frustrated; for on the 22d Instant, about Seven in the Morning, the Dreadnought, being the headmost Ship in Shore, made the Signal for seeing the Fleet coming out of the Cape, upon which the Augusta and Edinburgh crowded all the Sail they could, to come near enough to discover their Strength; about Eight o'Clock they could plainly distinguish Seven large Ships, a Schooner and a Pilot-Boat, they then tacked to bring their Ships in a proper Position to keep the Weather Gage of the Enemy; this being done, the Commanding Officer made a Signal for the other two Captains to come on board, which they immediately did—it were to be wished that all our Councils of War would take no more Time in their Deliberations than did these worthy Gentlemen;—the Question was not, what superior Strength the Enemy had, or how unequal the Combat; all that we can learn of this Council of War in Miniature is, that the Commanding Officer said to the other two Gentlemen, You see the Force of the Enemy, is it your Resolution to fight them, or not? Upon

which they both resolutely answered it was; here the Council of War ended, having lasted about 30 Seconds; Capt. Forrest wished them a good Morning, and desired them to make all possible Haste on board, and giving Orders for a Royal Salute, it being the Day of his Majesty's Coronation, immediately threw out the Signal for the Line, one Ship a Head of the other, as near as possible, the Dreadnought to lead; which being formed with the greatest Expedition, they made all the Sail they could venture to make, preserving the Weather Gage; at this Time the Enemy crowded all the Sail they could, and stood towards our Ships, which were meeting them with their reefed Topails: But the French perceiving our Ships haul up their Foreails, they tacked, and stood for the Land; which greatly surprized Capt. Forrest, who immediately threw out a Signal to tack, and stand after them, which the Enemy observing, they immediately formed themselves into a Line, waiting for our little Squadron; which was of very great Advantage to the Enemy, for they were so properly prepared, they gave our People a most furious Reception, by which the Ships received more Damage than they did during the whole Time of the Action, though it lasted two Hours and a Half, having begun about Three o'Clock in the Afternoon. The French began firing at a great Distance, which our Ships returned with equal Spirit, as soon as they came near enough for proper Service; in short, the Engagement was as furious as it was possible; never was there an Action more unequal, or more warmly disputed; 'tis said the Dreadnought in the Heat of the Action was some considerable Time between two Fires, but sustained it with infinite Bravery, till the Edinburgh run in to her Assistance; never did Man behave with more undaunted Courage and Prudence than the Commander in Chief.—We believe it will not be said of these Three gallant Gentlemen, as M. de Faucault said of a Captain of a Man of War, who some Time ago fell an easy Victim into their Hands, being asked if the English Captain behaved gallantly; replied, that the Captain was a prudent Man, and took great Care of the King of England's Subjects.—The French Commodore was at last so disabled, as to be obliged to be towed off by one of the light Frigates, after a most gallant Behaviour; in the mean Time the Rest of the French Fleet continued the Engagement as briskly as possible, to give their Commodore Time to get off; as soon as they saw her out of Danger, finding themselves in a most shattered Condition, and Night coming on, they made all the Sail they could from our Ships, which were all Three perfect Wrecks, under no Sort of Command, having all their Masts, Sails and Rigging so disabled, as made it impossible to give them Chace. The Commander in Chief of this little gallant Squadron did all that was possible to put the Ships in a Condition to return, for it was impracticable for them to keep the Seas; and in that tattered Condition they arrived safe here on the 25th Instant. It was observable, that never Anxiety equalled that of the Seamen, till they knew the Determination of their Officers, which, when they heard, they were ready to run mad with Joy, huzzaing and throwing up their Hats and Wigs in the Air like People inspired; and throughout the whole Action behaved accordingly.

There is so much Glory and Gallantry in this Action, it speaks for itself; but as the Conduct of these Gentlemen can never be too much praised and admired, we make no Doubt but they will meet with a Reward from their King and Country suitable to their Merit: But let what will happen, these gallant Officers will carry to their Graves the Glory of having attempted an Action that has not been equalled this War, or surpassed in any that we have read of.

The Augusta had 27 Men wounded, and 9 killed,

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ber having been a long Time Talbot County Goal, for Debt, wherewith to redeem his Body, ce, That he intends to apply to Assembly for an Act for his RE- FERDINANDO BREWER.
Mistake, and left with the Printer letter dated March 1757, exte- To George Chaney, Merchant, ryland, per Captain White: And ge Chaney, Eastern Shore. It con- current, and mentions a Balance valuable Hogthead of Tobacco t. Coxon in 1752. Enquiry has e said Chaney, or Chaney, but no et, can be found. The Person gs, may have it, on Application eof, and paying the Charge of t, 10s.
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