

His Majesty's Royal Bounty: And whereas His Majesty was also graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Sixteenth Day of the said Month of February, 1793, to promise and declare, that a Reward of Twenty Shillings for every Able and Ordinary Seaman, fit to serve on board His Majesty's Ships, should be paid to any Person who should discover any Seaman or Seamen who might conceal him or themselves, so that such Seaman or Seamen should be taken for His Majesty's Service, on or before the Thirtieth Day of April then next, by any of His Majesty's Sea Officers appointed to raise Men on Shore, or by the Captains or Commanders of any of His Majesty's Ships or Vessels in the Ports or on the Coasts of this Kingdom: And whereas the Time limited by the said Proclamations for Payment of the said Bounties and Reward, hath been prolonged and extended to the Thirty-first Day of August next; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service that the said Bounties and Reward should be continued to be paid for some Time longer; His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, that the Time limited for Payment of the said Bounties and Reward be prolonged and extended, from the said Thirtieth Day of August next, to the Thirty-first Day of October next inclusive:—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Steph. Cottrell.

Admiralty-Office, August 1, 1797.

THE following Dispatches have been received at this Office by Evan Nepean, Esq;

Ville de Paris, off Cadiz, July 5, 1797.

S I R,

I Desire you will acquaint the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that the Terpsichore, with the Thunder Bomb, having a Detachment of Artillery on Board, and the Urchin Gun-Boat, from Gibraltar, joined on the 2d Instant, and the Night following Rear-Admiral Nelson, having made his Dispositions, the Bomb, covered by the Gun-Boat, Launches and Barges of the Fleet, was placed near the Tower of San Sebastian, and fired some Shells into the Town, when an Attempt was made by the Gun-Boats and Launches of the Enemy to carry her. The Rear-Admiral, who is always present in the most arduous Enterprizes, with the Assistance of some other Barges, boarded and carried Two of the Enemy's Gun-Boats, and a Barge Launch of one of their Ships of War, with the Commandant of the Flotilla. In this short Conflict 18 or 20 Spaniards were killed, the Commandant and several wounded; he and 25 Men made Prisoners; the rest swam ashore.

This spirited Action was performed with considerable Loss on our Part, as per Inclosed. The Launch of the Ville de Paris was sunk by a raking Shot from the Enemy's Gun-Boats; but, by the active, intelligent Mind of Captain Troubridge, got up Yesterday Morning, and repaired on Board the Culoden.

Rear-Admiral Nelson's Actions speak for them-

elves; any Praise of mine would fall very short of his Merit.

I am, S I R,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

J. JERVIS.

P. S. The inclosed Report from Rear-Admiral Nelson has just reached me.

Evan Nepean, Esq;

Return of the Killed and Wounded on the Attack of the Spanish Gun-Boats, the Night of the 3d of July, 1797.

Thefeus, 5 wounded.
Irresistible. 1 wounded.
Seahorse. 1 wounded.
Ville de Paris. 5 wounded.
Prince George. 1 killed; 5 wounded.
Diadem. 1 wounded.
Barfleur. 1 wounded.
Egmont, 1 wounded
Total. 1 killed; 20 wounded.

Officers wounded.

Seahorse, Captain Fremantle. Slightly.
Ville de Paris, Lieut. Wm. Selby. Ditto.
Diadem, Lieut. W. J. Rowe. Ditto.
Prince George, Lieut. Gregory Grant. Ditto.
Ditto, Mr. R. Tooley, Midshipman. Ditto.
Barfleur, Mr. Hugh Pearson, Master's Mate.
Thefeus, John Sykes, Admiral's Coxswain.

J. JERVIS.

Thefeus, July 4, 1797.

S I R,

IN Obedience to your Orders, the Thunderer Bomb was placed, by the good Management of Lieutenant Gourly, her present Commander, assisted by Mr. Jackson, Master of the Ville de Paris, who volunteered his able Services, within 2500 Yards of the Walls of Cadiz, and the Shells were thrown from her with much Precision, under the Direction of Lieutenant Baynes of the Royal Artillery; but unfortunately it was soon found that the large Mortar was materially injured from its former Services; I therefore judged it proper to order her to return under the Protection of the Goliath, Terpsichore, and Fox, who were kept under Sail for that Purpose, and for whose active Services I feel much obliged.

The Spaniards having sent out a great Number of Mortar Gun-Boats and Armed Launches, I directed a vigorous Attack to be made on them, which was done with such Gallantry, that they were drove and pursued close to the Walls of Cadiz, and must have suffered considerable Loss; and I have the Pleasure to inform you, that Two Mortar-Boats and an Armed Launch remained in our Possession.

I feel myself particularly indebted for the successful Termination of this Contest to the Gallantry of Captains Fremantle and Miller, the former of whom accompanied me in my Barge, and to my Coxswain, John Sykes, who, in defending my Person, is most severely wounded, as was Captain Fremantle, slightly, in the Attack: And my Praises are generally due to every Officer and Man, some of whom I saw behave in the most noble Manner, and

I regret