

thing could damp the ardour of the party on shore, who together with Lieutenant Lester in the boats, lost not a moment in boarding and cutting the cables of sixteen vessels, under a most galling fire, two of which were sunk in the entrance of the harbour, and fourteen got out. I have to regret the loss of twelve brave men killed and wounded, which is less than might have been expected, as more than five hundred regular troops arrived from Civita Vecchia; but were kept in check in coming along, and forced to take a circuitous route, by a well-directed fire from the ship, which allowed sufficient time for all our men to embark.

It is now a pleasing duty to pay a just tribute of praise to the very gallant and determined conduct of Mr. Croker, first lieutenant, whose zeal on this and every other occasion merit my warmest commendation; and he speaks in the highest terms of admiration of the determined bravery of Lieutenants Lester, Whylock, and Davies, the petty officers, seamen, and royal marines under his command.

The whole of this service was most successfully accomplished in three hours, and fourteen vessels deeply laden got clear off, which I was obliged to take in tow, as their sails had all been unbent, and taken on shore to prevent our getting them out.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) WM. MOUNSEY, Captain.
*The Honourable Henry Duncan, Captain
of His Majesty's Ship Imperieuse.*

Killed.

William Wilson, ordinary seaman.
William Chambers, marine.

Wounded.

Henry Wadby, captain of fore-castle, very severely.
William Govier, captain of fore-top, ditto.
Archibald Cowan, captain of main-top, ditto.
William Hogg, seaman, ditto.
John Thompson, seaman, ditto.
Joseph Kempster, seaman, ditto.
Samuel Rooker, marine, ditto.
Christopher Weeks, marine, dangerously.
William Vinnicombe, seaman, dangerously.
Henry Luke, marine, ditto.

(Signed) WM. MOUNSEY, Captain.
E. EVANS, Surgeon.

A List of Vessels captured.

Gun-boat Le Bacchus, 1 long brass twenty-four-pounder and 4 swivels.
Gun-boat, name unknown.
Xebeck St. Antonio, pierced for 12 guns, 2 long six-pounders mounted; and 13 settees laden with salt, tobacco, marble, and sundries.

(Signed) WM. MOUNSEY, Captain.

*His Majesty's Ship Revenge, off Palamos,
SIR, Nov. 9, 1813.*

I HAVE the honour to inform you, that I discovered yesterday a French felucca privateer, in the harbour of Palamos, which Lieutenant Richards, senior lieutenant of this ship, handsomely offered to

bring out. Upon reconnoitring the place, I did not observe any insurmountable impediments to the enterprise; consequently, at half past eight p. m. I gave him the boats of this ship, aided by Lieutenant Blakiston, Captain Speerin (and a detachment of Royal Marines under his command), and Messrs. Quelch, Rolfe, Fisher, Mainwaring, Harwood, Munbee, Fraser, Maxwell, Buchanan, and Davey, masters mates and midshipmen; and I have the satisfaction to state, that they completely achieved their object at eleven p. m. without an officer or man being hurt; and at one o'clock brought alongside their prize, with twenty prisoners out of forty-nine, the others having jumped overboard; and it is a very gratifying part of my duty to inform you, that Lieutenant Richards highly commends the good conduct and gallantry of every officer and man under his orders.

I have the honour to be, &c.

J. GORE, Captain.

*To Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Pellew,
Bart. &c. &c. &c.*

*His Majesty's ship Undaunted, off Port
SIR, Nouvelle, Nov. 9, 1813.*

I HAVE the honour to report to you, that the port of Nouvelle was attacked to-day, and the batteries stormed in the most gallant manner by Lieutenant Hastings and Lieutenant Hunt, of the Marines, the whole under the command of Lieutenant Hownam, senior Lieutenant, who speaks in great praise of the officers and men of this ship, and those of the Guadaloupe, under the command of Lieutenant Hurst, and Mr. Lewis, Master.

The vessels as per margin, * fell into our hands.

I should be wanting in duty, if I did not express my high sense of the discretion and gallant conduct of the officers and men of this ship, who in the short time she has been under my command, have taken or destroyed, principally in the boats, seventy of the enemy's vessels, and with comparatively a very small loss.

It affords me great pleasure to state that only one man was wounded.

I have the honour to be, &c.

THOMAS USHER, Captain.

Vice-Admiral Sir E. Pellew, Bart.

Admiralty-Office, January 11, 1814.

VICE-ADMIRAL Sir Edward Pellew has also transmitted to John Wilson Croker, Esq. a Letter from Captain Hamilton, of His Majesty's ship Rainbow, dated off Madalena, the 11th September, stating that her boats, under Lieutenant Coffin, had captured, in the Bay of Ajaccio, two latine vessels, one having on board a Lieutenant and several men of the 2d batt. of French pioneers; and the other laden with wheat: And one from Captain Hole, of His Majesty's sloop Badger, dated off Port Mahon, the 30th October, giving an account of his having captured L'Aventure French privateer, of two guns and twenty-eight men, out four days from Barcelona, and had not taken any prize.

* Vessels captured, 2; destroyed, 5.