

Bomb Vessel, the driving up with the Tide of Flood within Cannon-shot of the Fort, both that Day, and the next, bombarded the Enemy therein, which did in a great measure induce them to capitulate sooner than otherwise they would have done, not but that they were very much gauled in the Attempts made on them, and the many Shot from the Artillery on shore; but the 28th, 29th, and 30th the Bomb-Vessel was not able to throw any Shells, by reason of the hard Gales of Wind.

The 1st of *October*, at a Council of War held in the Camp, two Letters which were received from Monsieur *Subercasse*, directed to Colonel *Nicholson*, were taken into Consideration, together with the Answers which he had made thereunto, and the Preliminaries being agreed on, the Governor marching out of the Fort with the Garrison, our Troops took Possession of it soon after, with Drums beating, and Colours flying, where hoisting the Union Flag, they, in Honour of Her Majesty, called the Place *Annapolis Royal*, and a sufficient Number of Men being left therein, the Ships and Troops proceeded to *New England*, as soon as all things necessary were settled; from whence Captain *Martin* departed not long after, in order to his putting in Execution the remaining part of his Instructions for his return to *England*. And now we return to Vice-Admiral *Baker*.

That Officer having conducted the Transports to the several Ports whereto they were bound, and arriving with them laden at *Barcelona*, got Sight of four Ships off of the *Phare of Messina*, and as many *Saetias*, to which he gave Chase, but could not speak with them that Night. Next Morning, being the 3d of *May*, the *Fame*, commanded by Captain *Masters*, took one of the Ships; the *Suffolk*, Captain *Cleaveland* Commander, another of 56 Guns, called the *Galliard*, though she had no more than 38 mounted, but the other two, being small Gallies, with the *Saetias*, escaped.

*Vice-Admiral Baker returns to Barcelona.*

*Two French Ships taken.*

The Vice-Admiral having seen the Transports safe to *Barcelona*, joined Sir *John Norris* at *Tarragoua* the 24th of *June*, of whose Proceedings from *England*, in order to his commanding in the *Mediterranean*, before this Junction, and after it, it is necessary in the next Place to give some Account.

*Vice-Admiral Baker joins Sir John Norris.*