

provisions for the Indians, and was armed, in order to convoy a schooner which had the same lading, and which got away during the fight.

I brought this brigantine into this port, where she has been condemned as a lawful prize by the court of admiralty, as carrying on a contraband trade; which your lordships will see by the copy of the said court's sentence here annexed.

We had two men killed and one wounded in the engagement. The brigantine had six killed and seven wounded. The master or commander of the brigantine says she is a king's ship; but he has no brevet, and only an order of the governor of Canada to take upon himself the command of this vessel, in order to convoy the schooner to John's river; and after he had landed the ammunition and presents for the Indians, to return into the harbour of Quebec to be laid up.

I am also to acquaint your lordships, that on my last coming here I met his majesty's frigate the Tryal, returning from her cruize in the bay Verte, where she had found the 8th of August last a French boat called the London of Canada, commanded by captain le Cras: upon examining her papers, they found that this vessel had been employed in introducing warlike stores, provisions and merchandizes into his majesty's province for the use of the Indians; and for these reasons the Tryal took her and brought her in here,