

John Cammish, Seaman, examined.

Ques. Were you in the yawl with Mr. Jones, when he detained the American schooners Reindeer and Ruby?

Ans. I was.

Relate the particulars.

I recollect Mr. Jones going out from Gull Cove, in the small boat, and returned in the evening. I heard him say that he had information of some American schooners. We were ordered to get our things in the yawl from the tent, and went out that evening. We pulled the greater part of the night, and anchored for about an hour and a half. At daylight, observed five vessels laying at anchor. When they saw us, they got under weigh. When we came near them, one of the vessels dropped her anchor, and two others lashed along side her; and the crews of these vessels went on board the centre one with their fish spears. Mr. Jones desired them to separate, which they did not do for a considerable time, until Mr. Jones threatened several times to fire into them; they separated, and we boarded the Reindeer, where I remained. Mr. Jones detained her and another vessel. By the wish of the crews of these vessels, and by the consent of the masters of the other two vessels, they were sent on board, with as much provisions as they wished. The masters of the two vessels not detained, came on board us in their own boats, and took the crews, with as much provision as they choosed, on board. We then got under weigh; the Reindeer for St. Andrew's, the Ruby in company. In the afternoon of the same day, observed two armed vessels. One of them came towards us and gave three cheers, and hoisted American colors; they called to us to heave to, and threatened to fire into us. Her decks were full of armed men, with muskets and fixed bayonets; there was also in company a large armed boat. The schooner fired two musket balls across our deck, and then Mr. Jones gave up the papers to the master of the Reindeer, who held them up in his hand, and called to the Americans not to fire, as he had possession of the vessel. The American schooner was then about half pistol shot from us. We were then ordered into the yawl by Mr. Jones; and observed them, in going to Eastport, fire volleys of musketry.

Ques. What quantity of wood and water had the Reindeer?

Ans. Three barrels of water, and a great deal of wood.

Ques. What weather was it when the two vessels were detained?

Ans. Fine weather, and light winds from northward and westward.

Richard Newland, seaman, examined.

Ques. Were you in the yawl with Mr. Jones when he detained the American schooners Reindeer and Ruby?

Ans. Yes, I was.

Relate the particulars.

Ans. I recollect a man coming to Mr. Jones, at the tent at Gull Cove, and informing him that some American fishing schooners had come into an anchorage not far from us, and fired their muskets, and