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discovered by the Brightness of the Moon, which was then at Full, and hearing the Alarm that was given to the Town, by the Sentinels posted on the Ramparts, determined to proceed, and the rather, because a *Ch:istian* Slave, who swam from *Algiers*, informed them that the *Turks*, not suspecting an Attack, had left their Ships almost intirely unguarded. Their Endeavours were, notwithstanding, fruitless, as the Wind was yet too gentle either to nourish, or disperse their Fire-Works.

In this Service, only six Men were killed, before the Place. Five were so dangerously wounded that they expired soon after their Return, and thirteen were slightly hurt. This Number cannot be deemed considerable, if it be remarked that the Attempt was made under the Walls of the Town, from which Place the Ordnance, and Musquets were discharged continually against them. The only Damage which they sustained was during their Retreat, previous to which they owed their Security to their Situation, as they had entered within the *Mole* before the Alarm was given to the Town, and the Ships which were stationed between it, and the Boats, defended them from the Fire of the Enemy. Thus ended an Expedition as unfortunate, as it was dishonourable.

On the twenty-fifth, the *English* weighed Anchor, and stood off to Sea, when four Sail of Pirates, in Spite of the Endeavours of the latter to intercept them, steered their Course by the *Westermost* Point of Land, and entered within the Harbour. On the twenty-eighth, the *Bonaventure*, and the *Hercules* ran a Pirate ashore. On Board of this Vessel were an hundred, and thirty *Turks*, together with eleven *Christian* Captives. All were drowned, except twelve *Turks*, who, with Difficulty, swam to Land.

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