

of those dreadful instruments of destruction. The boats of the ships were instantly manned, and rowed up to the fire-ships, which they grappled with the greatest intrepidity, amidst the bursting of shells and a heavy cannonade, towing them clear of the ships of war, and they drove on shore in different parts of the bay, where they were entirely consumed. Soon after, two more fire-ships, still larger than the former, were observed bearing down on the Panther; but so furious a cannonade was discharged at them, that the Spaniards were obliged to set them on fire, and abandon them to the fate of their companions. At day-light in the morning, Don Barcello had the mortification of beholding the failure of his hoped-for expedition, and returned to Algesiraz.

The Achilles cutter privateer, commanded by Mr. William Gawkins, off the rock of Lisbon, engaged most gallantly *L'Eulalie*, a large French letter of marque from Bourdeaux, bound to Port-au-Prince, mounting 30 guns, nine and six-pounders, with 100 men; the action continued at intervals from two o'clock in the afternoon on the 14th of June, till half-past three P. M. the following day, when the *Æolus* frigate bore in sight, and coming up, obliged the enemy to strike, with the loss of her captain, first lieutenant, and several men killed and wounded. The privateer had one man killed, and eight wounded.

On the 1st of July, His Majesty's ship *Romney*, of 50 guns, and 300 men, commanded by Captain Roddam Home, being on a cruize off the rock of Lisbon, fell in with, and after a short, but smart running fight, captured *L'Artois* French frigate, of 40 guns, and 474 men, commanded by M. de Febre. She had twenty

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