

The 26th of June one of our Ships called the *Advice*, a small Fourth Rate, commanded by *Kenneth Lord Duffus*, was chased near *Yarmouth* by several *French Privateers*, which he engaged a considerable time, and even until his Sails and Rigging were almost torn in pieces, and many of his Men killed and wounded, so that at length he was constrained to yield, after he had himself received eight Wounds. Being carried into *Dunkirk*, the Officers and People of that Place treated him very civilly, but those who belonged to the Privateers stripped both his Lordship and his People of all they had, even their wearing Apparel.

An English Ship called the Advice taken.

The 17th of July the *Dunwich and Whiteing Sloop* ran one of the *French* coasting Convoys, of about 16 Guns, on shore, and the *Hampshire, Cruiser*, and *Discovery* Dogger brought into the Downs the 31st five Prizes which they met with off of *Cape Antifer*.

Other Prizes taken.

Sir *Thomas Hardy* being in *Yarmouth Roads* the 8th of August, he received Orders to proceed as far Northward as the Islands of *Orkneys* with the Trade bound to *Russia*, and to send some of the Ships that were with him to the Downs, there being Advice that Monsieur *Saus* was gone out from *Dunkirk*; and with these Orders he received others, requiring him to protect all Neutral Ships which might have Goods on board belonging to Her Majesty's Subjects.

Being joined by the *Russia Trade*, he guarded them as far as *Schotland*, and sending them forward from thence with their proper Convoy, he returned to the Downs, where receiving Orders to proceed Westward, he arrived at *Plimouth* the 23d of October, and being required, towards the latter end of December, to look out for Monsieur *Du Casse*, he determined to put to Sea with such four Ships of his Squadron as should be first ready.

Sir Thomas Hardy sees the Russia Trade as far as Schotland, and then proceeds Westward.

The 6th of January the *York* brought into *Plimouth* a Privateer of 28 Guns, and two Days after the *Kinsale*, a Ship of the Fifth Rate, came to that Port, which had met with and engaged a *French Frigate* of 44, an Hour and half, near the Islands of *Jersey* and *Guernsey*, her Masts, Yards, and Rigging being very much disabled.

1711. The York takes a French Privateer.

On the 8th of January Sir *Thomas Hardy* sailing from *Plimouth* with six Ships of War, came off of *Ushant*, when crossing the Bay for *Cape Finisterre*, he cruised between the Latitudes of 43 and 45th North, and thirty and forty Leagues Westing from the said Cape, spreading every Day, each Ship within View of the other, at least sixteen Leagues. The 3d of February he took the *Peter Gally*, of about 120 Tuns, which sailed from *St. Domingo* the 12th of December, the Master whereof assured him that Monsieur *Du Casse* was not ready to come from *Martinico*, when a Sloop which he had spoken with before he left *St. Domingo* sailed from thence, but when that was his Memory did not serve him to tell with any Certainty.

Sir Thomas Hardy proceeds into the Soundings.

The 13th of February he took a Privateer from *Dunkirk* of 20 Guns, which had been cruising with four more between *Cape Finisterre* and the Rock of *Lisbon*; and on the 21st of March the

A Privateer taken.

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