

up the bridges, and roads, &c. we must pass; but we destroyed 13 small ships in a creek near St Briaux, within two miles of the right of our camp. --- It grieved us much we could not fall on the Citadel; 'tis perfect strength, environed by the sea, high ramparts round, with batteries on each side, mounting 200 pieces of cannon; guarded again by nature, at some distance are small rocky islands projecting more to the sea, on which are erected several batteries and forts, built uniform, and bomb-proof: one of them is entirely hewn out of a solid rock; these also mount 70 pieces of ordnance from 48 to 52 pounders. --- No wonder their ships riding in safety, an harbour thus situated and fortified! Some of our men were out a marauding and met a party of the militia, who fled, and left a standard behind them. --- In this instance, the Frenchman's valour was truly exemplified; for, according to our military law, it is death (tho' in an enemy's country) to pilfer, for which reason our men had, to pass unnoticed by their officers, left the camp without arms, and a small number of them too.

5th. Remained at St. Lunaire camp. --- Disembarked 2 short pieces of cannon of 6 pounders, and 36 Light-horsemen. --- The enemy still busy in raising obstacles, and blowing up their roads to retard our march against the Citadel. --- A party of the grenadiers marched towards the town, on their return were fired upon by the French ships in the harbour, which did us no damage. --- A great number of houses set on fire near the camp.

6th. Remained in the same camp. --- At ten in the morning a cutter bore to a battery upon
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