

nouncing these Words was the only Interval between the Word Peace, and the firing of a Broad-side, which informed us that it was War. We were then within Pistol-shot; the Cannon of the Enemy were charged with two Bullets, and Pieces of all Kinds of Metal. This joined to the Confidence which the Word Peace, pronounced by the Captain's Mouth, must give us, made us lose a great many People; notwithstanding which, our Fire was not retarded; we continued some Time with our Bowsprit lying across the Vessel, still keeping a very brisk Fire of Cannon and Small-Arms, which we pointed at four or five Vessels who drew towards us, among which were the Admiral and Rear-Admiral. But what could we expect in the Situation we were in? our Rigging was cut to Pieces, our Sails full of Holes, our Fore-top-mast ready to fall, our Main-mast pierced with two Bullets, our Sail-yards cut, the Mizzen-mast and Mizzen-top-sail injured, several Pieces of Cannon dismounted, twenty-four Men killed, wounded, or maimed on the Decks, among which were four Officers, Messrs. de Rostaing, de l'Aubepin, Monfermeil, and several Officers wounded. M. Hocquart at last concluded to surrender to the Admiral.

At Two in the Afternoon, the Ship Defiance, having made towards the Lys, the latter kept a running Fight, and being attacked by the Fougeux, she was put between two Fires, to which she could make but a weak Resistance, considering the few Cannon with which she was armed, which obliged M. de Lorgerie, after making all the Resistance possible, to strike the Royal Flag.

As to the Dauphin-Royal, the superior Swiftness of her Course gave M. de Montalais the Satisfaction of landing the Troops entrusted to him at Louisbourg, where he was informed of the Capture of our two Vessels, which has brought to Light the Designs of the English.

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