

**BOSTON, January 3:
VALUABLE PRIZE.**

FROM BATAVIA, SEPT. 14.

"The Dutch Spice Fleet, from the Moluccas, bound for this place, has been captured by an English Country ship and a frigate.—This fleet is valued at three or four million Spanish Dollars;—a loss which must be most seriously felt by the Company, at this moment."

BUENOS AYRES.

A gentleman who arrived here in the schooner Maria Theresa from Havana, has obligingly favoured us with the following translation of the official account of the recapture of Buenos Ayres.

[New-York Gazette.]

SOUTH AMERICA.

Extract from the official accounts received at Havana, relative to the retaking of Buenos Ayres, by Don S. Liniers.

AUG. 1.—Last night a detachment of 500 English attacked 200 Spaniards, encamped 4 leagues from the city, and made them leave the field, with 4 cannon and 8 prisoners, few were killed or wounded on either side.

5th.—Our transports crossed from Sacramento to the river of Las Couchas with a favourable S. E. wind, and landed 2700 men, with cannon, other arms, &c.

8th.—Very heavy rain from the 6th until last night.—We have this moment received news that our troops are marching towards this city, suffering great hardships from the many swamps that lay between us, and impede the passage of the artillery.

10th.—At 12 o'clock, General Liniers sent the Lieutenant of Infantry Don Hilario Quintance to ask the British General to surrender himself in the course of fifteen minutes; but that officer returned without an answer, as he was denied admittance into the fort. At four o'clock the following letter was sent to the British General:

"Very Excellent Sir,

"The fate of arms is variable—it is less than a month since your Excellency took this capital without any opposition; attacking with a very small number of troops a multitude of people, who surely were more deficient of a good commander, than courage to oppose your intention; But at

present, penetrated by the highest enthusiasm and valour, they are ready to throw off a hateful yoke, and to demonstrate that the courage shewn by the inhabitants of Ferrol the Canary Islands and Porti Rico, is not a stranger to those of Buenos Ayres. I come at the head of well disciplined troops very superior to yours. The maritime forces that occupy the entrance of the river, will not leave a retreat for your Excellency. Thousands of inhabitants, well armed, full of honour and courage, only wait for a signal from me to overthrow the British troops. The just esteem due to the courage of your excellency, the great generosity of the Spanish nation and the horrors that inspires the destruction of men, induces me to give your Excellency this advice and I expect that as your Excellency is well acquainted with your perilous situation, without resource, you will let me know in the precise term of fifteen minutes, if you are disposed to a desperate effort and give your troops up to total destruction, or surrender to a generous enemy.

"May our Lord guard your Excellency many years.

(Signed)

"SANTIAGO LINIERS."

Army before Buenos Ayres,

Aug. 10, 1806.

To the very excellent Sir Wm. Carr Beresford.

This letter was answered with the following lines:

"I have taken this town after two victories: Its fate arms will decide.

(Signed)

"BERESFORD."

On the 11th of Aug. our troops attacked and entered by Retiro, where we took a guard of fifty men prisoners. We entrenched ourselves here, and placed a 24 pounder facing every street. All night several skirmishes between our patrols and the advanced guards of the enemy took place.

12th.—All this day and night several skirmishes between the Catalonians and the enemy: our artillery fired also on the British shipping, and did damage. Our long expected long boats, in which we place great hopes, are not arrived yet.

13th.—At 10 o'clock this morning, our brave Catalonians, the Blandengues and Dragoons on foot, attacked the enemy at all points. Our artillery was placed fronting the Retiro, and several 24-pounders at every street, ta-

king the enemy between two fires! The attack continued very hot till evening, when the English flag was pulled down and the Spanish hoisted. The enemy surrendered themselves prisoners of war, but the officers are to have the honours. The British General and officers were quartered in several houses, and the troops locked up in the Corporation houses.—The enemy has had many killed and wounded; and we have also had great loss. On the 14th, *Te Deum* was sung with great rejoicings.

The English vessels at Barragon Bay have all escaped. Of four ships of the line that presented themselves before this harbour, one was sunk by the forts, two were stranded, and the other escaped.

If all the other parts of this Spanish official account are as incorrect as this last paragraph, the whole will not turn out to be great. The English had but one ship of the line in the River Plate; and that was the diadem, commanded by Captain POPHAM; which we know was there in October last.—Besides the Diadem, we believe the British have only a 50 gun ship and some sloops of war, none of which could lay within several leagues of Buenos Ayres.]

[Bost. Cen.]

Whereas information has been received of Trespasses having been committed on His Majesty's Woods: The following Extract from the Statutes, for the preservation of His Majesty's Timber in America, is republished by order of the Surveyor General of His Majesty's Woods in America, for public information, with notice that they will be strictly carried into execution.

BY 8 Geo. 1. ch. 12, it is enacted, That every Person who shall presume to cut down, fell or destroy any White Pine Tree, within His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, or any other of the Colonies in America, or be aiding and assisting therein, shall for every such offence forfeit and pay the following Sums, viz.—

For every White Pine Tree of Twelve Inches Diameter, and three Foot Growth from the Earth,	£ 5 0 0
From 12 to 18 Inches	10 0 0
18 to 24	20 0 0
24 and upwards,	50 0 0

To be recovered in the Courts of Admiralty.

It is further enacted, That all White Pine Trees, Mafts, and Logs made from such Trees, which shall be found cut or felled without Licence, shall be forfeited and seized for the King.

By 2d Geo. ch. 35, it is enacted, That no Person within the Province of Nova-Scotia, or any other of the Colonies that now belong or hereafter shall belong to the Crown of Great Britain, shall presume to cut down, fell or destroy any White Pine Trees, notwithstanding the said trees do grow within the Limits of any Township laid out or to be laid out hereafter, without His Majesty's Royal Licence for so doing first had and obtained, on Penalty of the Forfeitures mentioned in Act 8. Geo. 1.

Fredericton, New-Brunswick, Dec. 13, 1806.

BY order of His Excellency Sir JOHN WENTWORTH, Bart. Surveyor General of His Majesty's Woods in America, I have caused this Extract from the Statutes for the preservation of His Majesty's timber, to be again published here.—And I have received his positive instructions to prosecute with the utmost rigour, every person who shall presume to cut down, fell, or destroy any White Pine Tree within this Province without Licence for so doing, first had and obtained.

EDWARD WINSLOW,
Deputy Surveyor General of His Majesty's Woods in New-Brunswick.

ALL Persons having any demands against the late Co-partnership of LUDLOW FRASER & ROBINSON, are requested to call on the Subscriber, and receive payment.

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