

Capt Saunders. During the violence of the tempest the  
Sargasso parted with her best lower cable. I was induced  
to order a state that Capt M<sup>r</sup> Spoe had stung to spin  
to a new spun cable, intending to bring themselves up with  
this if the rest parted, in the interim he went with his  
boat on board the Atlas, & using Mr Jacob's name obtained  
another anchor & cable which put them out of danger  
This favor was the greater as the admiral had refused man-  
other cable makers; the same request. It was expected  
the French would have taken advantage of the tempest  
precluded the making a brisk assault on the confeder-  
ately on the part of Matagorda, entirely cut off from assistance  
& wanting provisions for 3 days. But they either did  
not know its state, or were occupied on other points  
or were combated by its rage. Considerable damage has been done  
to the wind vanes of high sea, but the work soon be  
repaired by cautions which are making to complete it.  
2 of ward Manganas are daily sent to work upon it  
& are excused & omitted but for the aged & sick, every one  
else must either work himself or send a substitute. The  
have also ladders stowed them at on the flanks by large  
iron gratings. These have been removed from the wind  
to firmly fixed on each side & effectually prevent the  
casualty from changing & falling; it is the rear citadel  
water.  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Admiral Gravina who died from wound  
after the battle of Talamone was removed from the church where  
the wall & carried to that of St. Lawrence where a grand funeral  
was read over him by his brother the Pope's Legate, his body  
had been embalmed & the ceremonies were very grand &  
impressive, but similar to those I had witnessed at the  
space.  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> of the previous day I had been making  
arrangement for my return to England & the Sunday  
of my friend was introduced to the office of the Antelope  
which coast Mr Wells out, from their execution I obtained  
a paper from Laberum in which employed in preparation