

EURYALUS.

[The log of the Euryalus contains a complete history of the battle of Trafalgar, and of the events which preceded and followed the action. Captain Blackwood commanded the look-out squadron off Cadiz, and transmitted to Nelson the first intimation that the combined fleet was putting to sea. During the battle the Euryalus was more than other ships in a position to see the varied incidents of the fight and the movements of particular vessels. After the action Collingwood shifted his flag to the Euryalus, and from her the signals were made ordering the abandonment of many of the prizes which had been so hardly won by his great predecessor in command. The log of the Euryalus has therefore been placed at the head of the records.]

Log.—FREDERICK RUCKERT, Master.—Official No. 9328.

Friday, October 18th.

P.M.—Light variable airs and clear. At 2, light breeze from the westward. At 4, light airs and clear. Squadron in company. At 6, Rota NE by N. St. Sebastian E by N $\frac{3}{4}$ N, about 4 or 5 miles. Squadron in shore of us to look out. At 8, light airs. Squadron in company. Sebastian E by S, 4 miles. At 9.10, tacked. At 10, Cadiz E $\frac{1}{4}$ N, about 4 miles. At 11.30, tacked. At 12, light breezes and clear. Squadron in company. Observed during the night the enemy making signals between Rota and Cadiz and about the coast.

Saturday, October 19th.

A.M.—At 3.30, tacked ship. Moderate and clear. Out 2nd reefs, set foresail and spanker. At 4, ditto weather. Squadron in company. At 5.30, tacked. Sebastian NE, about 4 miles. At daylight observed the enemy's ships in Cadiz with topgallant yards across, and eight ships having their topsails hoisted to the mastheads. At 7, saw the northernmost ships under way. At 7.20 dispatched the Phœbe

to repeat signals between us and the English fleet. At 8, saw 19 of the enemy under way. All the rest, except the Spanish Rear-Admiral and another line-of-battle ship, with their topsails to the mast head. The Defence in sight from the mast head west. Phœbe WNW, firing three minute guns. At 8.10, came within hail the Naiad, and ordered her to repeat as many signals as possible between us and the Phœbe. Made a telegraph message to the Weazle, intelligence to Gibraltar and Tetuan. At 9, ordered the Pickle to proceed with all possible dispatch off Cape Spartel, and inform all ships that the enemy is out, and cruise there 3 days and then return to this place. Out all reefs and got all ready for making sail. At 10, light airs, inclinable to calm. At noon, calm. Phœbe and Naiad between us and the fleet. Weazle and Pickle SSE. Sirius in company. St. Sebastian E $\frac{1}{2}$ N, 7 or 8 miles. Latitude observed $36^{\circ} 28' N$. The enemy's ships in Cadiz Bay in a calm.

P.M.—Light breezes and clear. Made and shortened sail and tacked as the case required. At 4, do. weather. 9 of the enemy's ships out. Naiad and Phœbe between us and the fleet repeating signals. Another line-of-battle ship WNW. At 6, Rota NE $\frac{1}{2}$ E. Sebastian E by N $\frac{1}{2}$ N, about 7 miles. Cape Trafalgar SE by S $\frac{3}{4}$ S. The enemy's ships ENE, about 3 miles, 12 in number. Bore up and stood towards the enemy to watch their motions, and observed the whole 12 standing towards the northward on the larboard tack. Sirius in company. Beat to quarters. At 8, light winds; hauled our wind on the larboard tack, the body of the enemy's ships NE by E, about 2 miles. St. Sebastian E $\frac{1}{2}$ S, about 4 miles. At 8.10, hailed the Sirius, and ordered her to watch the enemy's motion to the southward of us. Observed several rockets made

by the ships to the westward of us. At 9, wore ship. Sirius SSW. Naiad west. Lighthouse E by S, 4 miles. Still in sight of the enemy. At 9.45, hove to. At 11.45, saw the ships to the westward of us burn a blue light. At 12, light winds, St. Sebastian NE $\frac{1}{2}$ E, 4 or 5 miles.

Sunday, October 20th.

A.M.—Saw another blue light to windward. At 1.30 sprang up a breeze from the SW. Tacked and made sail to the NW. At 4, tacked in 30 fathoms; two ships in sight to windward. Sirius in company. At daylight observed nine of the enemies' ships, under sail off Cadiz Harbour, and 4 at anchor, Naiad in sight south, Sirius in company. Fresh breezes and cloudy. Observed the enemy's ships in the harbour getting under way. 22 of the English fleet in sight from the mast head. At 7.30, a strange sail NW. The Sirius made sail in chase. At 7.50, saw the Sirius boarding a chase which proved to be an American ship. At 8.20, perceived a line-of-battle ship with a brig in tow steering with all sail direct for the enemy within a very near distance. Made the private signal to her and proved to [be] H.M.S. Agamemnon. Made the signal to the Agamemnon for the enemy NE. Repeated it with many guns before it was noticed. She then hauled to the wind on the starboard tack, having a heavy brig in tow which she did not cast off. At 8.35, the Sirius got her boat back from the American ship and she made all sail on the larboard tack. Saw the van ship of the enemy endeavouring to get up with the Sirius, and a line-of-battle ship firing at her, then bearing from us NE by E, 2 or 3 miles. At 8.50, thirty-four ships of the enemy in sight. At 9, St. Sebastian E $\frac{1}{2}$ S, about 4 leagues. At 9.10, pointed out by signal the bearings of the

Commander in-Chief to the *Agamemnon*, and made telegraph signals to her that thirty-four of the enemy were out, and to make all sail and repeat signals between me and the Admiral, and that the enemy's ships were much scattered, and directed Sir Edward Berry to fire every 10 minutes with the preceding signal; but she still stood on SE with the brig in tow until we lost sight of her. At 9.30, strong breezes. In 2nd reef of the topsails. At 9.45, observed a number of the enemy's ships wearing and standing towards Cadiz. At 10, strong breezes and thick weather with rain. Lost sight of the enemy's ships. At 11, up mainsail, down jib. At noon the wind more moderate, but very heavy rain and thick weather.

P.M.—Heavy rain and thick weather. At 12.30, the weather clearing up a little, saw the enemy to leeward under low sail on the larboard tack; being close wore ship, reefed topsails and made all possible sail to look out for the English fleet in the SSW. Still keeping sight of the enemy. At 1, more moderate; out reefs, set topgallant sails. Saw the *Sirius* to leeward of us and recalled her. At 2, saw the English fleet in the SSW, standing to the westward. At 2.10, made a telegraph message to the *Sirius*, 'I am going to the Admiral, but will return before night.' At 3, exchanged ship's numbers with the fleet. At 3.20, made the telegraph message, 'The enemy seems determined to push to the westward, with numeral pendant 30 N by E,' which the Admiral answered. Saw an English line-of-battle ship to leeward of the fleet with her main topmast down. At 4, wore ship and stood to the northward. At 4.40, the English fleet wore. Enemy's fleet on the larboard tack to the northward. Up mainsail, crossed the royal yards. At 5.20, observed some of the enemy's look-out ships

reconnoitring us ; tacked ship. At 5.40, answered the Admiral's signal, ' I rely on your keeping sight of the enemy.' At 6, ditto weather. Victory and fleet to the southward. Enemy's fleet and Sirius N by E. Made several lights and burnt false fires to show the enemy's position to Lord Nelson and the fleet. At 8.30, wore ship. At 9.50, wore ship. Up mainsail and kept upon the enemy's weather beam, about 2 or 3 miles. Made and shortened sail occasionally. Fired guns and burned false fires as necessary. At 12, moderate breezes. The body of the enemy's fleet SE by S about 3 miles, and the light of the English fleet to the southward and westward 5 or 6 miles.

Monday, October 21st.

A.M.—At 12.30, set foresail. At 4, out one reef of the topsails. Light breezes and hazy. At daylight, the body of the enemy's fleet ESE 5 or 6 miles. English fleet WSW. At 8, observed the British fleet forming their lines, the headmost ships from the enemy's centre 8 or 9 miles. The enemy's force consisting of thirty-three sail of the line, five frigates and two brigs. Light winds and hazy with a great swell from the westward. English fleet all sail set. Standing towards the enemy, then on the starboard tack. At 8.5, answered Lord Nelson's signal for the captain, who went immediately on board the Victory. Took our station on the Victory's larboard quarter and repeated the Admiral's signals. At 10, observed the enemy wearing and coming to the wind on the larboard tack. At 11.40, repeated Lord Nelson's telegraph message : ' I intend to push or go through the end of the enemy's line to prevent them from getting into Cadiz.' Saw the land bearing E by N, 5 or 6 leagues. At 11.56, repeated Lord Nelson's tele-

graph message : ' England expects that every man will do his duty.' At noon, light winds and a great swell from the westward. Observed the Royal Sovereign, Admiral Collingwood, leading the lee line, bearing down on the enemy's rear line, being then nearly within gunshot of them. Lord Nelson, leading the weather line, bore down on the enemy's centre. Captain Blackwood returned from the Victory. Cape Trafalgar SE by E, about 5 leagues.

P.M.—Light winds and hazy. British fleet bearing down in two lines on the enemy's, which was forming in one line from NNE to SSE, their strongest force from the van to the centre. At 12.15, the British fleet bearing down on the enemy, Vice-Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson leading the weather line in the Victory, and Vice-Admiral Collingwood the lee line. At 12.15, the enemy opened a heavy fire upon the Royal Sovereign. At 12.16, the English Admirals hoisted their respective flags and the fleet, the British fleet, the British ensign (white). At 12.17, Admiral Collingwood returned the enemy's fire in a brave and steady manner. At 12.20, we repeated Lord Nelson's signal for the British fleet to engage close, which was answered by the whole fleet. At 12.21, the van and centre of the enemy's line opened a heavy fire upon the Victory and the ships she was leading into action. At 12.22, Admiral Collingwood and the headmost ships of his line broke through the rear of the enemy's, where the action commenced in a most severe and determined manner. At 12.23, Lord Nelson returned the enemy's fire in the centre and van in a determined, cool and steady manner. At 12.24, Lord Nelson and the headmost of the line he led into action, broke into the van and centre of the enemy's line and commenced the

action in that quarter in a steady and gallant manner. Observed the *Africa* coming into the line, she being to leeward, with all sails set on the starboard tack (free). We kept Lord Nelson's signal flying at the main royal mast head, for the British fleet to engage close. At 12.26, observed one of the French ships totally dismasted about the centre of the line, by some of the ships of our lee line, and another of them with her fore yard and mizen topmast shot away. At 1.15, observed the *Tonnant's* fore topmast shot away. At 1.20, a Spanish three-decked ship with her mizen mast shot away. At 1.25, observed an English ship with her fore and mizen masts shot away. At 1.32, her main yard shot away. The centre and rear of the enemy's line hard pressed in action. At 2, the *Africa* engaged very close a French 2-decked ship, and in about 5 minutes' time, shot away her main and mizen masts. At 2.10, observed the *Mars* hard pressed in action. The remainder of the British fleet, which were come into action, kept up a well-directed fire on the enemy. At 2.15, the *Neptune*, supported by the *Colossus*, opened a heavy fire upon the *Santísima Trinidad* and 2 other of the enemy's line which were next her. At 2.20, the *Trinidad's* main and mizen masts shot away. At 2.30, the *Africa* shot away the fore mast of the 2-decked ship she was engaged with, and left her a complete wreck. She then bore up under the *Trinidad's* stern and raked her fore and aft. *Colossus* and *Neptune* still engaged with her and the other two ships, which appeared by their colours to be French. At 2.34, the *Trinidad's* fore mast shot away, and at 2.26 one of the French ships' main and mizen masts. Observed 9 of the enemy's van wear and stand down towards the centre. Observed the *Royal Sovereign* with her main and mizen masts gone. At 2.36,

answered Lord Nelson's signal to pass within hail, made all possible sail and made the signal to the Sirius, Phœbe and Naiad to take ships in tow which were disabled ENE, which she answered. Sounded in 50 fathoms. At 2.40, observed a French 2-decked ship on fire and dismasted in the SSE quarter. Passed the Spartiate and another 2-deck ship standing towards the enemy's van and opened a heavy fire, when the action in that quarter commenced very severe. At 2.50, passed by the Mars, who hailed us to take them in tow. Captain Blackwood answered that he would do it with pleasure, but that he was going to take the second in command, the Royal Sovereign. The officer that hailed us from the Mars, said that Captain Duff was no more. At 3, came alongside the Royal Sovereign and took her in tow. Captain Blackwood was hailed by Admiral Collingwood and ordered to go on board the Santa Ana, Spanish 3-deck ship, and bring him the Admiral, which Captain Blackwood obeyed. At 3.30, the enemy's van approached as far as the centre and opened a heavy fire on the Victory, Neptune, Spartiate, Colossus, Mars, Africa, Agamemnon and Royal Sovereign, which we had in tow, and was most nobly returned. We had several of our main and topmast rigging cut away, and backstays by the enemy's shot, and there being no time to haul down the studdingsails, as the enemy's van ships hauled up for us, we cut them away and let them go overboard, at which time one of the enemy's nearest ships to us was totally dismasted. At 4, light variable winds; not possible to manage the Royal Sovereign, so as to bring her broadside to bear on the enemy's ships. At 4.10, we had the stream cable, by which the Royal Sovereign was towed, shot away and a cutter from the quarter. Wore ship, and stood for the Victory.

Observed the Phœbe and Sirius and Naiad coming into the centre and taking some of the disabled ships in tow. At this time the firing ceased a little. At 4.20, observed a Spanish two-deck ship dismasted and struck to one of our ships. Observed several of the enemy's ships still hard engaged. At 5,¹— of the enemy's van and ¹— of their rear bore up and made all sail to the northward ; were closely followed by the English, which opened a heavy fire upon them and dismasted a French two-deck ship and a Spanish two-deck ship. At 5.20, the Achille, French two-deck ship, which was on fire, blew up with a great explosion. At 5.25, made sail for the Royal Sovereign. Observed the Victory's mizen mast go overboard, about which time the firing ceased, leaving the English fleet conquerors, with ¹— sail of the enemy's ships in our possession and one blown up,¹— of which were first rates, and all dismasted. At 5.55, Admiral Collingwood came on board and hoisted his flag (blue at the fore). At 6.15, sent a spare shroud hawser on board the Royal Sovereign and took her in tow, and at the same time sent all our boats with orders from Admiral Collingwood to all the English ships we could discover near us that they were to take the captured ships in tow and follow the Admiral. At the time saw Cape Trafalgar bearing SE by E about 8 miles. Sent a boat on board the Spanish three-deck ship which had struck, one main topgallant sail, standing jib and main topgallant stay-sail. At 7.36, took aback, and the Royal Sovereign fell on board of our starboard beam, and there being a great swell she damaged the main channels, took away the lanyards of the main and mizen rigging, jolly-boat from the quarter and davits, the most of the quarter-deck and waist hammock cloths, boards,

¹ Blank in original.

railing, with a number of hammocks and bedding ; took away the main and mizen topgallant masts, lost the royals and yards. Tore the fore and main sails very much, and took away a great part of the running rigging. At 7.40 got her clear, made sail on the starboard tack with a light wind from the WSW, and a great swell. Employed repairing the damages sustained by the Sovereign falling on board of us. At 9, sounded in 23 fathoms. Made the signal with a gun, prepare to anchor. Fleet and prizes in company. Light airs and a great swell from the westward. At 9.15, sounded in 15 fathoms. At 9.2,¹ in 14 fathoms. At 9.35, the water deepened. At 11, sounded in 36 fathoms. At 11.20, the water shoaled to 26 fathoms. At 12, in 22 fathoms.

Tuesday, October 22nd.

A.M.—At 12.15 made the signal with three guns to wear and wore ship. Came to the wind on the larboard tack, head to the westward. Sovereign in tow. Fleet and prizes in company. Moderate breezes and cloudy. Made and shortened sail as necessary. At 4, do. weather. At daylight, 4 sail in sight in the SW and 40 sail from east to NE. At 8, cast off the Sovereign and the Neptune took her in tow. Received from the Pickle, schooner, 18 French prisoners, which was part of the men she saved out of the Achille, French ship, which was blown up in the action. Strong gales and rain. Fleet and prizes much scattered. Made the general signal for the fleet to close. At 9, wore ship and hove to. At 11.20, filled and made sail on the starboard tack. At noon, strong gales and cloudy, with heavy rain. Most of the fleet and prizes in

¹ *Sic.*

company. Cape Trafalgar bearing SE about 4 leagues.

P.M.—Strong breezes and hazy; rain. Joined company H.M.S. Melpomene. At 2, wore, in mizen topsail and down jib. Cape Trafalgar SE by S, 7 or 8 miles. Set storm staysail. Down topgallant yards and struck the masts. At 4, strong gales and rain. At 8, ditto gales with heavy squalls and rain. At 9.30, set foresail. At 11.30, took aback, stood on the starboard tack. Burnt blue lights every hour. At 12, do. weather. Sounded in 40 fathoms.

Wednesday, October 23rd.

A.M.—Do. weather with heavy squalls. The fore topmast staysail split and blown away by a heavy squall from the westward. At 2, sounded in 45 fathoms. At 4, sounded in 65 fathoms. At 5.30, out 3rd reef of the topsails and swayed them up. Weather more moderate. Up topgallant masts. At 7, Cape Trafalgar east, about 13 or 14 miles. At 8, heavy rain and squally. Several of the fleet and prizes in sight. At 11, sounded in 59 fathoms. At 12, forty-seven sail in sight. Wind variable and cloudy. Cape Trafalgar SE, 5 or 6 leagues.

P.M.—Variable and cloudy. Bore up and tacked occasionally to collect the prizes. At 3, observed 10 of the enemy's ships in the ENE. Made the signal to prepare for battle, and formed a line of 10 sail between the prizes and the enemy. At 4, strong breezes and cloudy. Stood to the ENE. At 5.30, lost sight of the enemy and hauled on the larboard tack. In 3rd reef of topsail. Strong breezes and rain, and a heavy swell from the westward. Fleet and prizes in company. At 6, ditto weather. At 8, strong gales with rain and a heavy

squall. Some of the fleet in sight. At 9, furled mainsail, in fore and mizen topsails. From 10 to 11.45, heavy gales and rain. At 12, a little more moderate.

Thursday, October 24th.

A.M.—Ditto, gales and rain. Struck topgallant masts. At 3.30, wore ship and made the signal with guns for the fleet to wear. At 4, ditto gales and squally. At daylight, 45 sail of the fleet and prizes in sight, but much scattered. A number of the dismasted prizes not in tow. At 7, more moderate, with a great swell from the westward. Up topgallant masts and yards. Bore up, filled and made sail occasionally. At 8, St. Sebastian light-house SE by E, about 5 leagues. Fleet and prizes much scattered. At 9, observed 5 of the enemy's ships close in shore off Cadiz Harbour. At 11, reefed topsails. At noon, strong breezes and cloudy. Received from the Neptune the French Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Villeneuve. Sebastian SE by E $\frac{1}{2}$ E, 5 or 6 leagues.

P.M.—Fresh breezes and cloudy. At 3, filled. At 3.40 tacked. At noon, moderate and appeared for fine weather. Bore up for the ships. Employed destroying the prizes between Cadiz and St. Lucia [San Lucar]. At 5.30, shortened sail and hove to. Sent Lieut. Williams, the carpenter and his crew, with 30 men on board the Santísima Trinidad, Spanish 4-decker, to destroy her. Sounded in 20 fathoms. At 9.15, boats returned. Hoisted them up and made sail on the starboard tack. At 9.30, saw one of the prizes blow up with a great explosion. Wore ship and hauled on the larboard tack. Out reefs. At 10.30, in topgallant sails, down jib. Strong breezes and squally, with rain. At 12, do. weather.

Friday, October 25th.

A.M.—At 1, in 3rd reef of topsails. At 1.30, took aback. Wore ship. At 3.30, wore ship and close-reefed topsails. At 4, strong breezes, with squalls and heavy rain from the southward and westward. Down topgallant yards and struck the masts. At 8, ditto gales, 17 sail in sight. At 8.20, set mizen topsail and storm staysail. At 9.45, in fore topsail. Heavy gales, and thick weather with rain. At 10, in mizen topsail. At noon, strong gales with a heavy swell. Cape St. Marras, N, 70° W, 35 miles.

P.M.—Heavy gales and thick with rain, and a heavy swell from the southward. At 12.15, the spritsail yard carried away by a heavy sea with all the rigging belonging to it, and also the head rails and boards. Found the spanker boom sprung close outside the taffrail. Got it in. Carpenters employed fishing it. At 2, reefed foresail and furled the main-sail. At 4, ditto gales and rain. At 5, wore ship on the starboard tack under storm staysails, close reefed main topsail and staysail. At 8, more moderate with a heavy swell. At 9, set fore and mizen topsails. At 12, fresh gales and a great swell.

Saturday, October 26th.¹

A.M.—Ditto gales. Sounded occasionally, but no bottom. At 7.50, seven sail of the fleet in sight. The Pickle, schooner, in company. At 8, heavy rain with squalls. At noon, fresh gales and squally. Fourteen sail in sight. Dispatched the Pickle, schooner, for England.

P.M.—Strong gales and squally. At 4.45, hove

¹ From this date, only extracts from the remarks in the log have been printed.

to. 4 dismasted and 5 complete ships at anchor. 30 sail in all in sight.

Sunday, October 27th.

A.M.—At 4, squally with rain. At 6.30, bore up and made towards the ships at anchor. Thirty sail in all in sight. Fresh gales and squally with heavy rain. At 8, made the telegraph message to the Prince, 'Take Tonnant under orders and repair to Gibraltar or Tetuan as fast as possible. Collect all disabled ships that you meet and take them with you.' And made the signal to her that the Victory bore west. At 10, made to the Britannia telegraph message, 'Admiral desires you keep to windward, and not come down without signal.' Fresh gales and squally with rain. At noon, 30 sail in sight. Made the signal by telegraph to the Minotaur, 'I don't think there are any ships in Cadiz from my observation.'

P.M.—Fresh breezes and squally. At 1, observed the Donegal and Thunderer weigh and stood to the NE.

Monday, October 28th.

A.M.—At 5.30, wore ship and bore down towards the ships at anchor. Squally weather with showers of rain. Twenty-one sail in sight. At 9.30, shortened sail and hove to near the ships at anchor.

P.M.—Fresh breezes and squally with rain. Received from the Entreprenante, 15 men belonging to the Téméraire, 12 Bellerophons and 6 Phœbes.

Tuesday, October 29th.

A.M.—Squally with rain. At daylight bore up for the Téméraire. Out reefs, set topgallant sails, and crossed royal yards. Set the sails and all stay-sails. At 8, moderate and cloudy. A frigate with

a hulk in company, NE by N. At noon, light breezes and clear. Point Regal ESE, 8 or 9 miles. Lying to by the Téméraire.

P.M.—Moderate and hazy. At 4, San Lucar, SE by E $\frac{1}{2}$ E, 8 or 9 miles. 30 sail in sight. At 7.40, observed a ship on fire, which blew [up] in the SSE quarter.

Wednesday, October 30th.

A.M.—Ditto weather with lightning in the south quarter. Joined the Sirius with a French frigate and brig, being cartels from Cadiz. At 8, fresh gales and hazy. Defence with her prize in company at anchor off Cadiz SE by E, about 4 leagues.

P.M.—Moderate and hazy. At 5, joined company Admiral Louis and squadron; hove to by the ship at anchor. Admiral Louis and the captains of the squadron came on board, and at 7.30 they went to their respective ships.

Thursday, October 31st.

A.M.—Out barge. At 10, Admiral Collingwood struck his flag on board the Euryalus, and hoisted it on board H.M.S. Queen.

EURYALUS.
SIGNALS.
October 19th.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations ¹
A.M. 6.4	Sirius	Euryalus	Tel. 249 354 864 875 756 986 1,374 370	Enemy have their top- sail yards hoisted. Enemy's ships are coming out of port.
7.	Sirius	Euryalus	108 84	Close nearer the Admiral. Come within hail.
7.10 7.20	Euryalus Do.	General Weasel and Pickle	163 West	Repeat signals between the Admiral and look-out ships west.
7.20	Do.	Phoebe		

¹ The significations have been copied from the Admiralty signal book, 1799.

7.20	Do.	Do.	370	Enemy are coming out of port.
7.30	Do.	Weasel and Phoebe	84	Come within hail.
8.40	Do.	Weasel	122	Permission is given to part company.
8.40	Do.	Do.	307	Make all possible sail with safety to the masts.
8.40	Do.	Do.	87	Let one reef out of topsails.
10.20	Naiad	Euryalus	Tel.	
			784	Ships
			362	ahead
			724	repeated
			487	Mediterranean
			792	signals.
11.5	Euryalus	Naiad	Occasional ¹ 19	[Nineteen.]
			Tel.	
			911	under
			758	sailmaker ²
			51	all
			864	the
			1,719	rest
			875	top
			986	yards

¹ Probably numeral is meant.

² Evidently a mistake for 756 'sail.'

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M. 11.5	Euryalus	Naiad	1,374 1,261 684 817 41 61 579 456 570 97 784 9 384 224 873 72 149 52	hoisted except steady. Admiral and one line- of- battle ship. [Not in signal book.] [Do.] Dispatches. To army certainly alone.
—	Euryalus	North and West		
—	—	—		
—	Euryalus	Rendezvous and Pickle		

¹ This and the following signal must be blunders : 694 signifies 'Rear.'

—	Euryalus	Naiad	Tel.
—	—	—	458 Little
—	—	—	960 wind
—	—	—	396 in
—	—	—	357 harbour.
12.	—	—	2 Two
—	—	—	2,257 the enemy is at anchor.
—	—	—	550 Notwithstanding
—	—	—	458 little
—	—	—	960 wind
—	—	—	480 many
—	—	—	570 of
—	—	—	249 enemy
—	—	—	613 persevere
—	—	—	873 to
—	—	—	335 get
—	—	—	591 outward,
—	—	—	864 the
—	—	—	1,719 rest
—	—	—	1,261 except
—	—	—	578 on ¹
—	—	—	456 line
—	—	—	693 ready
—	—	—	986 yards
—	—	—	1,374 hoisted.

¹ 579 signifies 'one.'

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
P.M. 1.50	Euryalus	Naiad	Tel. 960 80 1,226 Compass west	Wind at dispersed ¹ west. Enemy persuaded ² to work outward. Seven of line already without and two frigates. Close nearer Admiral. See the Admiral or know his position.
2.30 3.20	Euryalus Do.	Sirius Naiad	249 615 873 1,968 591 7 570 456 1,064 966 61 Numeral ² 317 108 312	

¹ Perhaps 'present' is meant.² A mistake for 613 'persevering.'

3.40	Do.	Sirius	108	Close nearer Admiral.
4.	Do.	Do.	For captain	
—	Do.	Naiad	Tel.	
			724	Repeat
			864	the
			439	last
			792	signal.
<i>October 20th.</i>				
A.M.	Euryalus	Naiad	163	Repeats signals between Admiral
6.				and look-out ships.
6.30	Do.	General	403	[Not in signal book.]
6.30	Do.	Numeral 131,	1 gun.	
7.	Sirius	Euryalus	3	Permission to chase NNW.
			Interrogative	
			NNW	
7.30	Euryalus	General	403, 1 gun	[Not in signal book.]
			Numeral 22	
8.30	Do.	Agamemnon	11 NE, 7 guns	Enemy in sight, NE.
8.45	Do.	Do.	403	[Not in signal book.]
			Numeral 34	
8.50	Do.	Do.	163	Repeat signals between Admiral
				and look-out ships.
8.55	Do.	Do.	363, 1 gun	Ships seen are on the larboard
				tack by the wind.

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M. 9.10	Euryalus	Agamemnon	99 Numeral 13 784 966 621 1,719 986 1,374 249 2,132 766 253 299 51 864 1,719 163 591 963	Been thirteen ships without port, rest yards hoisted. Enemy cannot see English fleet. All the rest coming outward with

				expedition. The stranger is Spanish Commander chief coming outward.
				270 2,791 164 1,152 163 591
P.M.				
1.50	Euryalus	Sirius		6, 1 gun
1.55	Sirius	Euryalus		5
				Numeral 32
2.	Euryalus	Sirius		26
2.10	Do.	Do.		5
				394
				36
				Numeral 2
4.10	Do.	Victory		413 North
				2 guns
4.20	Do.	Naiad and Phœbe		108
5.10	Do.	Do.		154, 3 guns
5.25	Do.	Do.		108, 1 gun
				Leave off chase. Enemy in sight. Thirty-two ships. Keep enemy in sight. Enemy in sight. [Not in signal book.] Engage the enemy on the starboard side—or weather side if on a wind. [Not in signal book.] Close nearer Admiral. Make sail from the fleet and look out in direction pointed out. Close near Admiral.

SIGNALS—continued.

October 21st.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M. 7.	Victory repeated by Euryalus	[General] [Do.]	13	Prepare for battle.
7.40	Euryalus	Victory	76	Bear up and steer East.
8.	Victory	Euryalus	East	
Noon	Victory repeated by Euryalus		8	For captain.
			63	[Not in signal book.]
			preparative	Prepare to anchor.
P.M. 12.20	Victory repeated by Euryalus	General	16	Engage the enemy more closely.
October 22nd.				
A.M. 8.10	Euryalus	General	83	Disregard Admiral's motions.
8.45	Do.	Do.	109 SW, 1 gun	Close nearer ships in SW quarter.
10.30	Do.	Sirius	6, 1 gun	Leave off chase.

10.45	Do.	Defence	109 SW Neptune's pennant	Close nearer Neptune, SW.
11.10	Do.	Polyphemus	84	Pass within hail.
11.15	Do.	Achille	101	Come to the wind on larboard tack.
11.20	Do.	Polyphemus	214	For a lieutenant.
11.35	Do.	Achille	242	Stay by prizes.
11.45	Do.	Conqueror	109 Neptune's pennant	Close nearer Neptune.
11.52	Do.	Spartiate	101	Come to the wind on the larboard tack.
11.54	Do.	General	109	Close nearer ship indicated.
11.55	Do.	Polyphemus	214 annulled, 1 gun	For a lieutenant.
12.	Do.	Do.	242, 2 guns	Stay by prizes.
12.	Melpomene	Euryalus	Interrogative 88	Permission to make more sail.
12.	Euryalus	Melpomene		For captain.
P.M.	Euryalus	Juno	83	Disregard Admiral's motions.
12.30	Do.	Minotaur	109 SW	Close nearer ships SW.
12.55	Do.	Thunderer	109 SW	Close nearer ships SW.
1.	Do.	Minotaur	262	Cross topgallant yards.
1.30	Do.	Orion	109 SW	Close nearer ships SW.
3.3				

SIGNALS—continued.

October 23rd.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M.				
11.30	Euryalus	General	6 SW, 1 gun	Leave off chase SW.
11.32	Do.	Sirius	84, 1 gun	Come within hail.
11.45	Ships in the East quarter	Euryalus	370	Enemy are coming out of port.
11.50	Téméraire	Do.	337	Ship is in distress and obliged to part company, and requires another ship to see her into port.
12.	Euryalus	General	14	Prepare for battle and for anchoring, with springs on the cables and the end of the sheet cable taken in at the stern port.
12.	Do.	Africa	108, 1 gun	Close nearer the Admiral.
P.M.				
1.10	Euryalus	Spartiate	99, 1 gun	Come to the wind together on starboard tack.
1.17	Do.	General	99, 2 guns	Come to the wind together on starboard tack.

1.20	Do.	Swiftsure	86, 1 gun	Take one reef in the topsails.
1.30	Do.	Africa	214, 1 gun	For a lieutenant.
1.30	Do.	General	102, 1 gun	Come to the wind together on the larboard tack.
2.20	Eurydice	Neptune	108, 1 gun	Number on joining company.
2.38	Euryalus	Britannia		Close nearer Admiral.
		Defence		
		Swiftsure		
2.44	Do.	Britannia	304 Neptune's pennant	Send the number of men indicated on board captured ship. ¹
			Do.	Do.
2.54	Do.	Defence	108	Close nearer Admiral.
3.	Do.	Do.	307, 1 gun	Make all possible sail with safety to the masts.
3.8	Do.	Britannia		Make all possible sail with safety to the masts.
3.10	Do.	Defence	307	Leave off chase.
			6	Make all possible sail with safety to the masts.
3.15	Do.	Scout		Close nearer Admiral.
3.18	Do.	Defence	307	
		Neptune		
		Minotaur	108, 1 gun	
3.30	Do.	Leviathan		
		Dreadnought		
		Defence		
		Prince		

¹ MS in signal book.

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
P.M.				
3.43	Euryalus	Leviathan	108 preparative	Close nearer the Admiral.
3.56	Do.	Defence Dreadnought Scout	108	Close nearer the Admiral.
4.15	Do.	Bellerophon	186 SSW	Take ship in tow SSW.
4.30	Do.	General	48, 2 guns	Form line of battle ahead and astern of the Admiral as con- venient.
4.35	Prince	Euryalus	14, 2 guns	Made her number.
4.40	Euryalus	General		Prepare for battle and for an- choring with springs, &c.
4.50	Do.	Do.	252, 2 guns	Observe attentively the Ad- miral's motions during the night.
5.	Do.	Do.	53, 2 guns	Keep closer order by closing to the van.

A.M. 6.	Euryalus	Revenge Bellerophon Spartiate General Minotaur Britannia Neptune Dreadnought	186, 1 gun 186, 2 guns 108, 1 gun	Take ships in tow. Take ships in tow. Close nearer the Admiral.
		Do. Do.		
6.30 7.30				
7.32	Do.	Do.	101 NE, 1 gun	Come to the wind on the lar- board tack.
8.	Do.	Neptune General	84 preparative	Come within hail. Prepare to quit and withdraw men from prizes after having destroyed or disabled them if time permits.
8.30	Do.		241	Come to the wind on starboard tack.
8.45	Do.	Dreadnought	98	
8.50	Do.	Prince General	238, 1 gun 241, 1 gun	Stay by ships in distress. Quit, &c.
9.	Do.	Dreadnought	114	Keep close to the wind.
9.2	Do.	Defence, Donegal, Neptune, Leviathan	309, 1 gun	Senior officer of ships whose signals are shown to take juniors under his orders. ¹
9.10	Do.			

¹ This signification is inserted in writing in Sir T. Graves's copy of the signal book. It is doubtful whether the signal had this meaning in the Mediterranean fleet.

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A. M.				
9.16	Euryalus	Britannia	241	Quit and withdraw men from prizes after having destroyed or disabled them.
9.20	Do.	Prince	241	Do.
9.35	Do.	Neptune	77	Bring to, sternmost ships first.
9.35	Do.	Polyphemus	186, 2 guns	Take Victory in tow.
			Victory's pennant	
9.44	Do.	Do.	84, 1 gun	Come within hail.
9.55	Do.	Revenge	241, 1 gun	Quit and withdraw men from prizes after having destroyed or disabled them.
9.58	Do.	Neptune	109 NW	Close nearer ships NW.
			Tel.	
10.	Do.	General	964	Withdraw
			253	English ;
			192	cut
			482	masts
			61	and

11	Do.	Prince	60 85 318 648 101, 1 gun	anchors away from prizes. Come to the wind on the lar- board tack. Close nearer Revenge.
11.38	Do.	Orion	109, Revenge's pennant Tel.	
11.49	Do.	Neptune	196 648 192 1,814 986 85 61 482 61 758 589 578 —	Wear prizes, cutting spritsail yards away, and masts and sails over- board. For a lieutenant.
11.56	Euryalus	Sirius		

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
P.M. 12.15	Britannia	Euryalus	Tel. 648 726 1,798 Tel.	Prize reported sinking.
12.20	Do.	Do.	253 70 578 529 Tel.	English are on board naturally.
1.30	Euryalus	Ships North Britannia	1,886 873 637 648 531 991 586 1 784 873 876	Try to preserve prize nearest you; order one ship to tow

				61 779 873 382	and settle to [Not in signal book.]
				<i>October 5th.</i>	
A.M. 7.15	Britannia (answered Euryalus)	Euryalus affirmative) General	387	1	
9.			94 West, 1 gun		Make sail after lying by, lead- ing ships first. Make sail. Stay by prizes. Come within hail.
9.55	Do.	Eurydice	94		
9.56	Do.	Bellerophon	242		
9.58	Do.	Pickle	84		
			<i>October 26th.</i>		
A.M. 9.	Euryalus	General	99 Tel.		Come to the wind together on starboard tack. Victory yesterday evening bore SSE
10.	Revenge	Euryalus	703 988 266 103 SSE		

! The meaning of this signal cannot be ascertained. The signification given in writing in the signal book must have been inserted by the Admiral in command of some other fleet.

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M. 10.20	Revenge	Euryalus	814 852 80	Starboard tack at
11.30	Euryalus	General	No. 4 107	4 o'clock. Close round the Admiral as near as the state of the weather permits.
—	—	—	163, 4 guns	Repeat signals between the Admiral and look-out ships.
<i>October 27th.</i>				
P.M. 5.	Euryalus	Polyphemus	238, 2 guns	Stay by ships in distress.
5.5	Do.	Prince and Victory	238	Do.
5.35	Do.	General	102	Come to the wind together on the larboard tack.
<i>October 28th.</i>				
A.M. 6.30	Euryalus	General	107	Close round the Admiral as near as the state of the weather permits.

6.50	Do.	Scout	1 gun	For captain.
8.25	Do.	Dreadnought	88	Make more sail, leading ships first.
8.35	Do.	Do.	114, 1 gun	Keep close to the wind.
P.M.				
12.30	Do.	Eurydice	108	Close nearer the Admiral.
1.30	Do.	Orion, Swiftsure, Ajax	309	Senior officer of ships whose pennants are shown to take juniors under his orders. ¹
1.48	Do.	Leviathan	84, 1 gun	Come within hail.
4.5	Do.	Do.	—	For captain.
<i>October 29th.</i>				
A.M.				
7.30	Euryalus	Donegal	108	Close nearer the Admiral.
7.40	Do.	Do. Tel.	95	What
			356	have
			991	you
			220	done
			963	with
			864	the
			807	Spaniards?
	Donegal	Euryalus	853	Took
—			591	out

¹ MS. in signal book.

SIGNALS—continued.

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M.			numeral 200	two hundred
			471	men ;
			781	she
			420	is
			551	now
			337	going
			578	on
			786	shore ;
			92	bad
			815	state.
P.M.			41	Admiral
2.15	Euryalus	Téméraire	217	desires
			991	you
			9,588	will
			335	get
			1,233	down
			875	top-
			482	masts
			61	and
			335	get

2.20	Do.	Do.	922 numeral 2 1,803 482 260, 2 guns	up two small masts. Strike lower yards and top- gallant masts.
<i>October 30th.</i>				
A.M. 6.45 8.15	Euryalus Do.	Sirius Mars	— 101	For captain. Come to the wind on larboard tack.
9.30	Do.	General	101, 2 guns	Come to the wind in succession on the larboard tack.
9.45 P.M.	Do.	Do.	103, 3 guns	Keep in Admiral's wake.
12.15	Do.	Do.	83, 2 guns	Disregard Admiral's motions.
1.30	Do.	Hydra	—	For captain.
1.33	Do.	Weasel	—	For captain.
1.40	Weasel	answered	72	Ship's number.
1.43	Euryalus	Weasel	425	[Not in signal book.]
1.45	Do.	Hydra and Weasel	108	Close nearer the Admiral.

SIGNALS—*continued.*

Time	By whom made	To whom made	No.	Significations
A.M. 3.50	Canopus	Euryalus	311	The ship is in distress and requires to be assisted immediately. Permission is requested to hoist out a boat. ¹ For captain.
4.7	Do	Do.	383	
5.30	Euryalus	Tigre	—	
<i>October 31st.</i>				
A.M. 7.30	Euryalus	Neptune	108	Close nearer the Admiral. For two boats, with preparative. Tack, headmost ships first. For a boat.
9.	Do.	Queen	—	
10.5	Do.	Neptune	95	
11.40	Do.	Do.	—	

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