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THE PEACE OF 1801

A New Chart of Surinam [sic] River from the eastern edge of Soundings to Parimarabo [sic]. Accompanied with Sailing Directions, Views of the Land &c.

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Dimensions

475 by 605mm (18.75 by 23.75 inches).

Notes

A beautiful chart of the entrance to the Surinam River by Captain Thomas Goodall (1767-c.1832),

eventually Admiral of Haiti, but who also ran away from school at 13 and “shipped on board a privateer bound for the West Indies, which was cast away on St. Kitts in the hurricane of Oct. 1780. He was so fortunate as to fall into the hands of a merchant there who was acquainted with his father, and passed him on to an uncle in Montserrat... [after many adventures at sea, and]... having no prospects in the navy, he obtained command of a merchant ship bound to the West Indies. During his absence the war with France began, and on his homeward voyage he was captured by a French privateer and carried into L’Orient.

He was, however, fortunate enough to win the good will of his captor, who found an opportunity to let him escape on board a Dutch timber ship then in the port. On his return to England, he is said to have been appointed to the Diadem frigate; but he does not seem to have joined her; he was certainly not entered on the ship’s books [Pay-Book of the Diadem]. He accepted the command of a small privateer, and continued in her till the peace of 1801, ‘during which time he is said to have made more voyages, fought more actions, and captured more prizes than ever before were effected in the same time by any private ship'” (Laughton for DNB).

Bibliography

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