Gentlemen who have been on board the Constitution, which still lies in the lower harbour, mention having learnt, that Com. Bainbridge received two wounds in the action, one by a musquet ball, the other by langridge; but he is now entirely well: and tho’ the Constitution could have been prepared for another battle immediately, she was very considerably injured in her spars, sails, bulwarks, &c. had several shot near wind and water, and lost her wheel a few minutes after the battle commenced, so that Com. B. is fully justified in bringing her into port to be repaired: that the Java was to windward, and in the first part of the action fought at a greater distance than the Constitution desired; and that both ships manœuvred to prevent being raked. The masts of the Java were successively shot away with great execution.

Com. Bainbridge was wounded, but has recovered. Lieut. Alwyn was wounded, and died some days after. Mr. Waldo was also wounded. No other officers were injured.

The Constitution has on board part of the cargo of schr. Helen, from London for St. Salvador, captured by the Hornet, off the latter port; the schooner was given up.

The Hornet had captured the American ship William, belonging to Portland, from the Isle of May, with salt, which had been captured by the Java, and had been carried into St. S. and left.

The Java touched at St. Jago, Cape de Verds, and learned that the Essex had been there—and supposing the Constitution to be that frigate with caronades only, kept at long shot, which prolonged the action. They learned by the officers of the Java that the Essex had captured a schoop of war, and four rich prizes. The Constitution had received only three shots in her hull. Capt. Lambert died 5 days after the action, at St. Salvador. The Constitution sailed from that port Jan. 6. No vessels had lately arrived.
CONFIRMATION.

The following extract of a letter from New-York dated on the 18th instant, has been communicated to us by a gentleman of this town.


“Accounts have been received here this morning from Boston of the arrival at the latter port of the Constitution frigate. The action lasted 1 hour 55 minutes. The Java was totally dismayed, had 60 killed and 101 wounded. Her captain died of his wounds the day after the action. The survivors were landed on parole at St. Salvador. The Constitution had 9 killed, 25 wounded and little or no damage to the Hull. The Constitution besides took a valuable ship and brig. The ship was burnt—the brig and the Constitution have on board the cargo. The brig was left under convoy of the Hornet, and is expected momentarily at Boston. The Java is stated to rate 36 guns, with an extra complement of 100 men.”
Newspaper Article detailing battle against HMS Java, The Palladium.
Boston, 2/19/1813, XLI:15, pg. 2
Copy of a Letter from a British Officer,

"Prisoner on board the American frigate
Constitution, St. Salvador, Jan. 1.

My dear Sir—I am very sorry to inform
you of the unpleasant news of Mr. Gascoigne's death. Mr. G. and myself were shipmates
in the Marlborough, and first came to sea together. He was shot early in the action, by
a round shot, in the right thigh, and died in a few minutes after. Four other of his mess-
mates shared the same fate, together with 60 men killed, and 170 wounded. The official
account you will no doubt have seen before
this reaches you. I beg you will let all his
friends and relations hear of his untimely fate.
We were on board the Java frigate for a pas-
sage to India, when we fell in with this frigate. Hope this will reach you,
Yours,
H. D. Cornech.

Lt. Peter V. Wood, 22d reg. of foot, Isle of
France or Bourbon."