

Alfred - the first Continental flagship, 1775-1778

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Early in September, Lexington took another sloop, Betsy. After capturing a British vessel off Senegal, Raleigh crossed the Atlantic Ocean to the West Indies. Though the Bonhomme Richard sank after the battle, the battle's outcome was one of the factors that convinced the French crown to back the colonies in their fight to become independent of British authority.

USS Alfred

Drake became the first British warship to be captured by the Continental Navy. The Insatiable Earl: A Life of John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich.

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The ship left the on August 10 but encountered contrary winds during much of her westward voyage and finally returned to Philadelphia on October 4.

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On 5 August 1781, Admiral Sir Hyde Parker defeated a Dutch squadron commanded by Admiral Johann A. They reached on 8 April.

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The 40 th were in the lead under Hessian General Knyphausen with the responsibility of guarding the baggage. The Alfred was a small ship by our modern standards, even tiny compared to ocean going modern naval vessels.

Naval Operations, Strategic Overview

Taking command of the combined fleet, now 19 ships, Graves sailed south, and arrived at the mouth of the Chesapeake on 5 September. Ranger departed Brest 21 August, reaching Portsmouth, New Hampshire on October 15, in company with Providence and Boston, plus three prizes taken in the Atlantic. After being blockaded in the Providence River for more than a year, the new frigate, under command of Captain Abraham Whipple, ran the British blockade on the night of 30 April 1778, returning the heavy fire of the British frigate Lark and damaging that vessel, then fighting a running battle with another vessel of the British blockading force.

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