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RETURN

OF

SLAVE-VESSELS CAPTURED

BY

HER MAJESTY'S SHIPS OF WAR

DURING THE

YEARS 1860 TO 1864.

*Presented to the House of Commons by Command of Her Majesty, in pursuance of their
Address dated April 7, 1865.*

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RETURN to an Address to the Honourable the House of Commons, dated April 7, 1865 ;

for—

“A Return, in a tabular form, of the Number of Vessels, of every description, detained by any of Her Majesty's Ships or Vessels of War attached to the Naval Squadrons at the Cape of Good Hope or the West Coast of Africa, or the West Indies, or the South-East Coast of America, for being engaged in the Slave Trade, or suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade; showing the Number of Vessels condemned, with or without Slaves, and number liberated by each of the Vice-Admiralty Courts :

“The Return to be made up from 1860 (inclusive) to the date of the last Reports received from Commissioners of Mixed Courts or from Naval Officers.”

Date of Capture.	Name of Slave-Vessel.	Tons.	No. of Crew.	Under what Flag, if any.	By what Cruiser captured.	Where Captured.	No. of Negroes on Board.	How Disposed of.
1860								
Jan. 9	Barque. Supposed "Pamphylia"	250	30	None ...	Triton ...	Lat. 5° 8' S., long. 11° 52' E.	594	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
12	"Jhossee" ...	...	...	American ...	Falcon ...	Lat. 6° 4' N., long. 1° 9' E. ...	None	Released.
30	Brigantine. No name. Supposed to be "W. H. Stewart"	180	9	None ...	Archer ...	Lat. 5° S., long. 11° 40' E. ...	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
Mar. 18	"Manbo Zafa." Dhow ...	...	...	Johanna ...	Persian ...	Lat. 12° 48' S., long. 44° 10' E.	...	Destroyed.
18	"Salamita" ...	...	...	Arab ...	ditto ...	...	...	...
April 13	Ship. No name. Supposed "Roanoke"	460	32	None ...	Triton ...	Lat. 3° 25' N., long. 11° 1' W.	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 25th April, 1860.
Aug. 8	Barque. No name. Supposed "Esperanza"	460	24	ditto ...	Lyra ...	5 miles S.S.W. of north point of Monfra	...	Condemned at Cape of Good Hope, October 1860
10	"Manuela." Ship ...	700	40	ditto ...	Brisk ...	Off Johanna ...	846	Condemned at Mauritius, October 15, 1860.
15	"Constantia." Barque. Late "White Cloud"	325	12	Monte Vidcan	Alecto ...	River Cameroons ...	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 29th October, 1860.
16	Brigantine. No name ...	100	10	None ...	Spitfire ...	Lat. 7° 45' S., Long. 12° 50' E.	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
Oct. 14	"Lola." Brig ...	157	...	Spanish ...	Barracouta ...	Off the Anguillas keys	...	{Released by Commission Court at Havana.
14	"Castilla." Brig ...	130	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	...	...
Nov. 15	Cutter. No name ...	196	9	None ...	Torch ...	Lat. 6° 49' S., long. 11° 57' E.	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of Sierra Leone, and destroyed as unseaworthy.
19	Brigantine. No name. Supposed "James Rose"	...	...	ditto ...	Falcon ...	Lat. 7° 18' S., long. 9° 46' E.	262	...
19	Brig. No name ...	200	14	ditto ...	Espoir ...	Off Shobar River ...	...	Condemned, 29th November, 1860, at Sierra Leone.
Dec. 14	"Clara Windsor" ...	218	31	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 4° 44' S., long. 14° 21' W.	677	Condemned, 15th January, 1861, at Sierra Leone.
1861								
Jan. 4	Barque. No name ...	294	6	Spanish ...	Persian ...	Zanzibar ...	...	Condemned at Cape of Good Hope.
19	Brigantine. No name ...	147	...	None ...	Torch ...	Rio Pongas ...	...	Destroyed as unseaworthy.
Feb. 12	Felucca. "Theresa" ...	...	...	Portuguese ...	Wasp ...	Mozambique Channel ...	...	Released.
20	"Buswahi." Dhow ...	...	59	None ...	Sidon ...	Lat. 16° 42' S., long. 44° 45' E.	272	Burnt. Condemned at Mauritius.
April 1	Dhow ...	117	14	ditto ...	Lyra ...	Lat. 6° 7' S., long. 39° 14' E.	...	Burnt. Condemned at Cape of Good Hope.
3	ditto ...	68	27	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 6° 6' S., long. 39° 14' E.	103	ditto.
8	ditto ...	70	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 6° 6' S., long. 39° 14' E.	...	ditto.
8	ditto ...	116	18	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 6° 6' S., long. 39° 14' E.	...	ditto.
11	ditto ...	77	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	Zanzibar Harbour ...	3	ditto.
11	ditto ...	108	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
12	ditto ...	119	25	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
12	ditto ...	99	18	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
12	ditto ...	102	15	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
13	ditto ...	101	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
13	ditto ...	89	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
14	Schooner. No name ...	51	...	ditto ...	Torch ...	Bramiah River ...	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 27th April, 1861.
14	Dhow ...	146	15	ditto ...	Lyra ...	Lat. 5° 14' S., long. 39° 43' E.	...	Burnt. Condemned at Cape of Good Hope.
17	ditto ...	208	30	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 4° 39' S., long. 39° 28' E.	...	ditto.
17	ditto ...	164	40	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 4° 38' S., long. 39° 25' E.	7	ditto.
17	ditto ...	125	8	ditto ...	Sidon ...	Off Port Durnford ...	60	Destroyed. Condemned at Mauritius.
18	ditto ...	174	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	111	ditto.
19	ditto ...	97	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	River Durnford ...	...	ditto.
20	ditto ...	106	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	ditto.
21	ditto ...	89	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	2	Burnt. Condemned at Cape of Good Hope.
22	"Mutsahl." Dhow ...	62	24	Arab ...	ditto ...	Lat. 1° 13' S., long. 41° 54' E.	3	ditto.
22	"Bashaw." Dhow ...	148	34	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 1° 13' S., long. 41° 54' E.	5	ditto.
24	"Ardennes" ...	...	...	None ...	Wrangler ...	...	488	Condemned at St. Helena.
May 19	"Flight." Brig ...	...	...	None ...	Falcon ...	Lat. 3° 55' S., long. 14° 41' W.	539	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 8th June, 1861.
27	"Jacinta" ...	187	...	ditto ...	Prometheus ...	Off Landano ...	...	Destroyed. Condemned at Sierra Leone, 29th August, 1861.
June 13	Schooner. "Buenaventura Cubano."	183	...	Spanish ...	Torch ...	Inside Bar of Gallinas ...	...	ditto.
24	Dhow. "Flor de Cabaceira" ...	...	...	Portuguese ...	Penguin ...	Off Quicimba Island ...	11	Released by Commission Court at Cape of Good Hope.
July 3	"Diana." Schooner ...	96	11	None ...	Torch ...	Off Rio Nunez ...	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 19th July, 1861.
11	Brigantine. Supposed "Nympha."	...	...	ditto ...	Alecto ...	Lat. 8° 40' S., long. 13° 11' E.	...	...
Aug. 3	Dhow ...	156	20	ditto ...	Gorgon ...	Lindy River ...	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone and destroyed.
9	ditto ...	84	15	ditto ...	ditto ...	Kiswara ...	...	ditto.
9	ditto ...	47	13	ditto ...	ditto ...	ditto ...	...	Being leaky was abandoned.
Oct. 29	"Lyra." Barque ...	217	...	ditto ...	Ranger ...	Lat. 6° 46' S., long. 12° 38' E.	890	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty of St. Helena.
1862								
Jan. 1	Schooner. No name ...	175	11	None ...	Ranger ...	Lat. 6° 55' S., long. 11° 36' E.	511	ditto.
20	"Laura." Brig ...	...	...	British ...	Cadmus ...	Off Island of St. Thomas ...	...	...
Mar. 4	Brig. No name ...	207	...	None ...	Torch ...	Lat. 6° 47' S., long. 11° 50' E.	...	ditto.
27	Barque. No name ...	300	...	ditto ...	Grifon ...	Lat. 5° S., long. 11° 45' E. ...	...	ditto.
27	Schooner. No name ...	70	...	ditto ...	ditto ...	Lat. 5° S., long. 11° 45' E. ...	...	Burnt as unseaworthy. Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
April 18	Ship. No name ...	610	...	ditto ...	Flying Fish ...	River Nunez ...	...	Destroyed. Condemned at Sierra Leone, 5th June, 1862.
June 3	Brigantine. No name ...	117	12	ditto ...	"Antelope" ...	Off Cabenda ...	558	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
26	"Concepcio." Schooner ...	110	19	ditto ...	Wye ...	Lat. 6° 20' S., long. 12° 15' E.	295	ditto.
July 11	Brig. No name ...	270	...	ditto ...	Dart ...	Lat. 8° 20' S., long. 12° 45' E.	...	ditto.
23	Barque. No name ...	250	17	ditto ...	Espoir ...	Lat. 6° 45' S., long. 12° 25' E.	...	ditto.

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1862 July 24	"Clarissa"	251	...	None.	Torch	Punta da Lenha, Congo River	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 20th August, 1862.
Aug. 4	Cutter. No name	78	9	ditto	Antelope	Cabenda Bay	203	Destroyed as unseaworthy.
9	Schooner. No name	80	...	ditto	Mullet	Off Point Padron	150	Went ashore and was burnt.
27	ditto	180	12	ditto	Zebra	Lat. 4° 32' S., long. 10° 36' E.	...	Burnt as unseaworthy.
Sept. 20	"Britannia." Schooner ... ..	...	...	ditto	Espoir	Cabenda ... ..	...	Case dismissed. Vessel burnt.
23	Schooner. No name	180	...	ditto	Griffon	Off Jackin ... ..	...	Condemned at Lagos.
Oct. 3	Barque. No name ... ..	...	...	ditto	Zebra	Off Mangué Grande ... ..	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
15	Barque. "Jane"	280	...	Dutch	Espoir	River Congo ... ..	...	Condemned at Sierra Leone, 10th December, 1862.
Nov. 10	Dhow ... ..	...	...	None	Gorgon	Lat. 4° 46' S.	80	Destroyed.
20	Launch. No name ... ..	...	...	ditto	Zebra	River Congo	90	Swamped. Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
20	"Liberdad"	200	...	ditto	ditto	ditto} ... ..	...	ditto.
25	"Lola Montez." Brigantine	130	...	ditto	Antelope	Cabenda ... ..	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
Dec. 28	Ship. No name. Late "Island Queen"	...	21	ditto	Wrangler	Lat. 14° 37' S., long. 9° 19' E.	...	Condemned by Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
Nov. 2	Launch. "F" ... ..	...	...	Portuguese	Espoir	Mangué Grande, 12 miles south	25	Condemned by Commission Court at Loanda.
1863 Jan. 29	"Venus." Brigantine ... ..	...	...	Portuguese	Antelope	Off Cabenda ... ..	...	Released by Commission Court at Loanda.
Feb. 10	"Laura." Brigantine	140	...	None	Zebra	Punta da Lenha, River Congo.	...	Condemned in Mixed Court of Loanda.
14	"Léopard." Brig ... ..	...	...	French	ditto	Off Point Padron ... ..	...	Released by Vice-Admiralty Court at Sierra Leone, Court having no jurisdiction.
Mar. —	Schooner. No name	150	...	None	Brisk	Off Annabon	368	...
17	"Maraquita." Schooner	153	...	American	Zebra	Lat. 6° 8' S., long. 12° 11' E.	471	Condemned by Vice-Admiralty Court of St. Helena.
May 29	Schooner. No name ... ..	...	...	None	Orestes	Fernan Veloso Bay.	...	...
Aug. 13	Brig. Supposed name "Haidee."	200	16	ditto	Espoir	Lat. 7° 34' S., long. 12° 30' E.	550	ditto.
1864 Jan. 27	"Kate." Cutter ... ..	...	...	British	Investigator	Off Atakoo ... ..	...	ditto.
Feb. 8	Brigantine. No name	200	...	None	Griffon	Off Ambrizette ... ..	...	ditto.
April 3	"America." Ship ... ..	...	...	Spanish	Ariel	Lat. 13° 45' S., long. 46° 51' E.	...	Condemned by Mixed Commission Court at Sierra Leone.
June 3	Felucca. No name ... ..	...	...	None	Griffon	Shark's Point	6	Run ashore. Was destroyed.
July 1	Barque. No name ... ..	...	13	ditto	Snipe	Off River Congo	...	...
10	ditto	800	12	ditto	Lee	Lat. 11° 37' S., long. 13° 20' E.	...	Condemned in Vice-Admiralty Court at St. Helena.
7	Schooner. No name	100	6	ditto	Dart	Off Vista, River Congo	...	...
22	"Melvira" alias "Charles"	154	9	ditto	ditto	Bay of Mayumba ... ..	...	...
Aug. —	"Ricardo Schmidt" ... ..	...	...	Italian	By Lieutenant Dunlop, of Ariel	In Sierra Leone Harbour	...	Released by Mixed Commission Court at Sierra Leone.
Sept. 14	Dhow	90	...	None	Orestes	Lat. 3 N., long. 46° 39' E.	...	Destroyed as unseaworthy.
Oct. 24	Two dhows ... ..	...	...	ditto	Lyra	In St. Antonio River ... ..	...	ditto.
Nov. 18	Schooner. No name ... ..	...	...	ditto	Pandora	River Componée ... ..	...	Went ashore and was burnt.

SUMMARY.

	Condemned.	Released.
Vice-Admiralty Court of Sierra Leone	14	1
" " St. Helena	85	—
" " Cape of Good Hope	30	—
" " Mauritius	6	—
" " Antigua	1	—
" " Lagos	1	—
Mixed Commission Court of Sierra Leone	2	1
" " Loanda	2	1
" " Cape of Good Hope	—	1
" " Havana	—	1
Total	91	5

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