

his Party to take the Enemy in Flank
 should he show himself, but the
 Marines were allowed to traverse
 the skirts of the Cliffs and embark
 without molestation, tho' soon after
 they were embarked, the Enemy showed
 himself and fired a few Volleys out
 of Gun Shot, when we arrived off
 Benedict I found Lieutenant
 Fitzmorris had completely left the
 Enemy at bay, and leaving him
 with a few Boats to guard the
 Town and Ferry, I returned on board
 the Loire where I had the honor
 to find your Order of the 17th Instant.

I am aware that the
 nature of the Service I have been
 obliged