

E. of Sandwich
Admiralty Oct. 3^d 1778.

Fortescue 2428

3086

Lord Sandwich sends to your Majesty a Letter
just received from Captain Hicks with the
account of his being taken by the French
fleet; the orders which it is supposed
he mentions to have obeyed, must be
the sinking his dispatches before he surrenders.

It is said that Captain Finch's prize is
worth 200,000 L.

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[Faint, illegible handwriting on a rectangular piece of paper pasted onto a larger sheet.]