# The Napoleonic Adventure of Conquest and Revenge: The William John Hazzard

The William John Hazzard was a British merchant ship that was launched in 1797. The ship was named after William John Hazzard, a prominent British merchant and shipowner. The Hazzard was a large ship, with a burthen of 350 tons. The ship was armed with 12 guns, and it had a crew of 30 men.



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In 1803, the Hazzard was captured by the French privateer Le Grand Napoleon. The ship was taken to Cherbourg, where it was fitted out as a privateer. The Hazzard was renamed Le Hussard, and it was given a crew of 100 men.

Le Hussard quickly became one of the most successful privateers in the French fleet. The ship captured numerous British merchant ships, and it caused significant damage to British shipping. In 1804, Le Hussard captured the British frigate HMS Speedy. The Speedy was a much smaller ship than the Hussard, but it was faster and more maneuverable. The Speedy was able to outrun the Hussard, and it escaped capture.

In 1805, Le Hussard was captured by the British frigate HMS Indefatigable. The Indefatigable was a much larger ship than the Hussard, and it was able to defeat the French ship in a fierce battle. The Hussard was taken to Portsmouth, where it was refitted and renamed HMS Hazzard.

The Hazzard was used as a transport ship during the Crimean War. The ship carried troops and supplies to the British army in the Crimea. The Hazzard also participated in the Battle of Sevastopol.

The Hazzard was sold out of the Royal Navy in 1856. The ship was then used as a merchant ship until it was scrapped in 1870.

#### The Legacy of the William John Hazzard

The William John Hazzard was a significant ship in the history of the Napoleonic Wars. The ship played a major role in the French campaign against British shipping, and it was one of the most successful privateers in the French fleet. The Hazzard was also used as a transport ship during the Crimean War.

The Hazzard is a reminder of the importance of sea power in the Napoleonic Wars. The ship also played a significant role in the development of the British merchant navy.

#### **Further Reading**

- The National Archives: The Napoleonic Wars
- The Royal Navy Museum: Maritime Museum
- Portsmouth Naval Base: Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

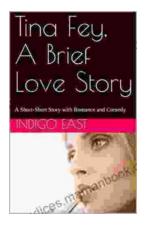


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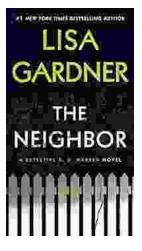
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