

Unto His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT, as exercising the Royal Authority over the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Name and Behalf of His Majesty.

WE, His Majesty's loyal and deeply attached subjects, the Noblemen, Freeholders, Justices of Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Haddington, beg leave to approach the throne, and to offer to your Royal Highness our warm congratulations on the signal success which has crowned the efforts of Great Britain and her Allies to vindicate the rights of mankind, and to restore freedom, security, and repose to the world.

The great results which we now with exultation contemplate, are, under the blessing of Almighty God, mainly attributable to the wisdom of His Majesty's and of your Royal Highness's Councils.

Undaunted by danger, Great Britain, under the guidance of these Councils, has unbendingly and unrenittingly asserted the great cause of freedom and of justice, and in its maintenance her prowess has been eminently displayed.

Animated by her dignity, the Continental Nations were roused to the vindication of their violated rights. The union for this purpose was cemented by the justice of the common cause; it has prevailed; Europe is restored; and we have seen with feelings of admiration, the delicacy and moderation which have guided the conduct of the Allied Powers in the moment of the most dazzling success; victory never was more gracefully, more splendidly attended; and we hail the eminent display of these qualities in the course of the recent events, as holding out the full assurance of an equitable and permanent adjustment of the differences which have so long agitated the world.

We entreat your Royal Highness to believe, that we deeply participate in the affection and gratitude so justly due, and so universally felt, towards your Royal Highness; and we pray, that your Royal Highness may be long spared to witness and to enjoy the blessings which you have been so eminently instrumental in securing to these realms, and to the world at large.

Signed in our presence, and by our desire, at Haddington, this 16th day of May 1814,
Haddington, LA. and Preses.

[Transmitted by the Honourable Lieutenant-General C. Hope, M. P. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

Admiralty-Office, July 12, 1814.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Pigot, of His Majesty's Ship Orpheus, addressed to the Honourable Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, and transmitted by the latter to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Ship Orpheus, New Providence, April 25, 1814.

SIR, I HAVE the pleasure to acquaint you, that on the 20th instant, after a chase of sixty miles, the point of Malanzas, in Cuba, bearing S. S. E. five leagues, we captured the United States ship Frolic, commanded by Master Commandant Joseph Bainbridge; she had mounted twenty thirty-two

pound carronades and two long eighteens, with one hundred and seventy one men; but a few minutes before striking her colours, threw all her lee guns overboard, and continued throwing also her shot, small arms, &c. until taken possession of; she is a remarkably fine ship, of five hundred and nine tons, and the first time of her going to sea; she has been out from Boston two months, and frequently chased by our cruisers; their only capture was the Little Fox, a brig laden with fish, which they destroyed.

I have the honour to be, &c

(Signed) H. PIGOT, Captain.

The Hon. Sir Alexander Cochrane, Commander in Chief, &c. &c. &c.

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VICE-ADMIRAL Sir Alexander Cochrane has also transmitted to John Wilson Croker, Esq. a letter from Captain Byron, of His Majesty's ship Belvidera, stating that, on the 7th of March, the boats of that ship with those of the Endymion and Hattler, under the directions of Lieutenant John Sykes, destroyed, off Sandy Hook, the Mars American privateer, of fifteen guns and seventy men.

And a letter from Captain Lockyer, of His Majesty's sloop Sophie, giving an account of his having, on the 24th of April, captured the American schooner privateer Starks, of two guns and twenty-five men, out twenty-four days from Wilmington without taking any prize.

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Copy of a Letter from Captain Nash, of His Majesty's Ship Saturn, addressed to the Honourable Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, and transmitted by Rear-Admiral Griffith to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Ship Saturn, off New York, May 25, 1814.

SIR,

I HAVE great satisfaction in reporting to you the capture, this morning, of the American schooner privateer Hussar, by His Majesty's ship under my command, in latitude 40 deg. 8 min. longitude 73 deg. 28 min. after a chase of four hours. She had on board a long twelve-pounder, besides nine twelve-pounder carronades, eight of which she threw overboard during the chase. She sailed from New York on the evening preceding her capture, with a complement of ninety-eight men, is nearly a new vessel, two hundred and eleven tons, was on her first cruise, is coppered and copper-fastened, and sails remarkably fast, and complete with provisions and stores for four months.

She has been in commission only a week, and was destined to cruise on the Banks of Newfoundland, and would in all probability have proved a great annoyance to our trade had she not been taken.

I have the honour to be, &c.

JAMES NASH, Captain

The Hon. Sir A. Cochrane, Commander in Chief, &c. &c. &c.