

Isis, August 30, 1799.

THE Undersigned, Vice-Admiral in the Service of His Majesty the King of Great Britain, charged with the Execution of the Naval Part of the Expedition to restore the Stadtholder and the old and lawful Constitution of the Seven United Provinces guaranteed by His Majesty, having agreed that in consequence of the Summons to Rear Admiral Story, the Ships, after hoisting the Antient Colours, will be considered as in the Service of the Allies of the British Crown, and under the Orders of His Serene Highness the Hereditary Stadtholder, Captain and Admiral General of the Seven United Provinces, has thought it proper to give an Account of this Agreement to the brave Crews of the different Ships, and to summons them by the same to behave in a peaceable and orderly Manner, so that no Complaints may be represented by the Officer the Undersigned will send on board of each of the Ships to keep proper Order, until the Intentions of His Majesty, and His Serene Highness the Prince of Orange, as Admiral General, shall be known, for the farther Destination of these Ships, on Account of which Dispatches will be immediately sent off. And to make them aware, that in case their Conduct should not be so as may be expected from the known Loyalty and Attachment of the Dutch Navy to the Illustrious House of Orange on this Occasion, any Excess or Irregularity will be punished with the Severity which the Disorders may have been committed merit.

(Signed) ANDREW MITCHELL.

*On board the Washington, anchored under the
Vleiter, 30th August, 1799.*

ADMIRAL,

NEITHER your Superiority nor the Threat that the spilling of Human Blood should be laid to my Account, could prevent my shewing you to the last Moment what I could do for my Sovereign, whom I acknowledge to be no other than the Batavian People and its Representatives, when your Prince's and the Orange Flags have obtained their End. The Traitors whom I commanded refused to fight; and nothing remains to me and my brave Officers but vain Rage and the dreadful Reflection of our present Situation: I therefore deliver over to you the Fleet which I commanded. From this Moment it is your Obligation to provide for the

Safety of my Officers, and the few brave Men who are on board the Batavian Ships, as I declare myself and my Officers Prisoners of War, and remain to be considered as such.

I am with Respect,

S. STORY.

*To Admiral Mitchell, commanding
His Britannic Majesty's Squa-
dron in the Texel.*

*Isis, at Anchor at the Red Buoy, near
S I R, the Vleiter, August 31, 1799.*

SINCE my Letter of the 29th by Captain Oughton, I received a Letter from Captain Winthrop of the Circe, containing a more particular Account of the Men of War, &c. taken Possession of in the New Diep than I had then in my Power to send, of which you will receive a Copy herewith for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

I have the Honor, &c.

A. MITCHELL.

Evan Nepean, Esq.

S I R, Helder, August 28, 1799.

I Have the Honor to inform you that I this Morning took Possession of the New Diep, with the Ships and Vessels undermentioned, and also of the Naval Arsenal containing Ninety-five Pieces of Ordnance. A Copy of the Naval Stores I will transmit you as soon as it can be made out.

I have the Honor, &c.

R. WINTHROP.

Urwachten,	66 Guns.
Broederschop,	54 Guns.
Hector,	44 Guns.
Diuffec,	44 Guns.
Expedition,	44 Guns.
Constitutie,	44 Guns.
Bell Antionette,	44 Guns.
Unie,	44 Guns.
Helder,	32 Guns.
Follock,	24 Guns.
Minerva,	24 Guns.
Venus,	24 Guns.
Alarm,	24 Guns.
Dreighlerlahn, Howda, Vreedelust, India- men: And a Sheer Hulk.	

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