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AT the Court at *Whitehall*, the 1st of October 1811,

PRESENT,

His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT in Council,

IT is ordered by His Royal Highness the Prince Regent in Council; in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, that the Parliament which stands prorogued to Friday the Fourth Day of this instant October, be further prorogued to Tuesday the Twelfth Day of November next;

*Foreign-Office, Downing-Street, October 1, 1811.*

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, Acting in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Henry Wellesley to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to His Catholic Majesty Ferdinand VII.; and Charles Vaughan, Esq; to be His Majesty's Secretary of Embassy in Spain.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, Acting in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, has also been pleased to appoint Charles Stuart, Esq.; George Cockburn, Esq.; and John Philip Morier, Esq.; to be His Majesty's Commissioners in Spanish America, to act with such Commissioners as may be appointed by the Supreme Council of Regency of Spain and the Indies, in the Name of His Catholic Majesty Ferdinand VII.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, Acting in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, has also been pleased to appoint Richard Belgrave Hoppner, Esq. to be Secretary to His Majesty's Commissioners in Spanish America.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, Acting in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, has also been pleased to appoint Thomas Sydenham, Esq; to reside at the Seat of the Provisional Government of Portugal as His Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary, during the Absence of Charles Stuart, Esq; who has been named His Majesty's First Commissioner in Spanish America.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, Acting in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, has also been pleased to appoint the Reverend R. M. Miller, B. A. to be Resident Chaplain at Lisbon.

*Admiralty-Office, October 1, 1811.*

Copy of a Letter from Captain Browne, of His Majesty's Ship the *Hermes*, addressed to Admiral Sir Roger Curtis, and transmitted to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

*His Majesty's Ship Hermes, Dungeness Roads; September 26, 1811.*

SIR,  
I HAVE the Honour to report to you, that on the Morning of the 24th Instant, close in with Cape Le Heve, His Majesty's Ship *Hermes* recaptured the Prussian Brig *Anna Maria*, from Lisbon for London, and would most certainly have taken the Privateer, had not the Contiguity to his own Coast favoured his Escape by half an Hour's sail, as the *Hermes* was nearing him fast; but the Wind blowing strong directly on Shore, prevented further Pursuit. I also beg to acquaint you, that the strong westerly Winds having driven me from my Station, and prevented my reaching St. Helens, I bore up for this Anchorage; and in my Way hither, when off Beachy Head, I discovered a large Lugger in the midst of a Number of English Vessels, several of which she must have soon captured, and One of which she had taken before seen by the *Hermes*. She was instantly pursued, and in Two Hours' Time, after sustaining a good Deal of Firing, which wounded some of his Crew, and damaged her Sails, she struck; but in the Act of bringing to, to take Possession of her, the Main Topsail Yard broke in the Slings, and the Fore-Sail of the *Hermes* split from the Violence of the Wind, which the Privateer immediately took the Advantage of; and although in a Situation under the Lee when she surrendered, that would have enabled me to have totally destroyed her, he had the Temerity to endeavour to escape, by making sail on the opposite Tack; but by the great Exertion of my Officers, the Ship was wore, and as much Sail set as enabled me to again come up with him, although he had got Two Miles from us on the Weather Bow, when feeling myself justified after his Conduct not to give