

Seagull, of 16 guns, eighteen-pounders, and 100 men; laying at Christiansand.
 Langeland, of 18 guns, eighteen-pounders, and 120 men; ditto.
 Alren, of 18 guns, eighteen-pounders, and 120 men; ditto.
 Gun-boats out of number.

(Signed) HENRY WEIR.

Admiralty-Office, July 18, 1812.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Ross, of His Majesty's Sloop Briseis, addressed to Rear-Admiral Martin, and transmitted by Vice-Admiral Sir James Saumaré to John Wilson Croker, Esq.

His Majesty's Sloop Briseis, off Pillau,
 SIR, June 29, 1812.

I HAVE the honour to inform you, that, in pursuance of your orders, I stood in yesterday to communicate with the merchant vessel Urania in Pillau Roads, when I perceived her to be in possession of the French troops, and that it was intended to destroy her on our approach: I tacked and stood off, judging it the most likely way to save the ship (which was employed by Messrs. Sully and Son on the part of Government) from destruction, and the remainder of her cargo from falling into the hands of the enemy, to surprise her in the night. Lieutenant Thomas Jones (2d), First of the Briseis; Mr. Palmer, Midshipman, and eighteen men, were sent in the pinnace on that service at midnight; when within pistol-shot, they were hailed and fired upon by the enemy, who had six guns and four swivels on board the Urania, which was surrounded by craft and boats; but every obstacle was overcome by the gallantry of Lieutenant Jones and his crew, who gave three cheers, boarded over the craft; and drove the enemy off deck into their boats on the opposite side, leaving behind part of their arms; the cable was then cut, and she was brought out, together with a French scout that was employed unloading her.

On our side I have to regret the loss of one seaman (John Cooper) killed; Joseph Cook, serjeant of royal marines, badly; Mr. Palmer, Midshipman; and one seaman (Robert Starkins) slightly wounded; but the enemy must have suffered far more severely, from being exposed, in their turn, to the fire from the Urania after they had abandoned her.

I am, &c.

JOHN ROSS, Commander.

To Rear-Admiral T. B. Martin.

THE following Addresses have been presented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent; which Addresses His Royal Highness was pleased to receive very graciously:

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergymen, and Freeholders of the County of Nottingham, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, and to offer our most sincere condolence upon the assassination of the Right Honourable Spencer Perceval, First Lord of the Treasury and Chancellor of the Exchequer, within the walls of the House of Commons, when he was proceeding to discharge the duties of his high official situation.

We regard with detestation and abhorrence the crime which has thus prematurely deprived His Majesty and the country of a man so eminently distinguished by every virtue—a man, whose high talents and unblemished integrity gained him the esteem and admiration of all who were able to appreciate such inestimable qualities; yet of such a man have we been deprived by the hand of a vile assassin, with this remaining consolation, however, that the national character is not involved in the sanguinary act.

Such atrocious malignity we know to be inconsistent with the generous and manly character of the British nation, nor should the disgraceful and inhuman demonstrations of joy which marked the proceedings of a few persons in this county, on hearing of the horrid and calamitous event, be in the smallest degree regarded as the expression of popular feeling; for we are most anxious to state to your Royal Highness (what it is only just and due to the honour of the county at large to remark), that their number was not less despicable than their conduct on that occasion was odious and contemptible.

With deep concern at the same time we are compelled to acknowledge, that certain outrages, lately committed in this and in other counties, have been conducted under a system of organization and vindictive malice, unexampled in these dominions, and urgently demanding for their speedy suppression the prompt and vigorous execution of such strong legislative measures, as may be best calculated to meet the unprecedented evil.

We avail ourselves of this melancholy occasion to express our unshaken attachment and loyalty to our beloved Sovereign and your Royal Highness; and we profess ourselves most zealously determined to offer both our persons and our properties, when called upon, to preserve undiminished the dignity of the crown and the laws and liberties of these kingdoms.

[Presented by Viscount Newark and A. H. Eyre, Esq. Representatives in Parliament for the County of Nottingham.]

To His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Freeholders, Justices of Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Selkirk, beg leave to approach your