

To the Honorable Mr. Darnall
I have the honor to be
(Signed) M. H. C. H. C.
Hamilton.

Permeade 16th July 1844

Sir,
I am directed by the Commander
in Chief to acquaint you that he is very much
astonished to find that after you were aware of
Mr. McDonald's making application by his Order for
your Maternity who was the author of the Report of his
having been knocked down by Mr. Cummings without
taking proper notice of it you should withhold
that information you possessed, on this subject &
not even make any reply to Mr. McDonald's letter
a copy of which he has forwarded to the Commander
in Chief and I am further to acquaint you the
Commander in Chief inferring from your conduct
that the Report has originated with yourself will deem
it necessary to order a Court Martial to enquire into the
grounds of this Report & direct you being summoned
to give Evidence therein unless a satisfactory Explanation
shall be given of the origin of the same -
I am Sir
Your obedient servant
(Signed) W. H. C. H. C.

Permeade 11th July 1844

Sir,
Having directed my Secretary Mr. Malleson
to pay the Butcher a black man belonging to the Ship & to
pay for apprehending & delivering up to a Court of the House
in the Court a woman belonging to the Ship under your Com-
mand, you will be pleased to cause that sum to be charged
against the Person who was apprehended, in the Book of the
House of Mr. Malleson the usual certificate in the
place that he may be reimbursed the same -
(Signed) M. H. C. H. C.