

By Post 28th July 1844
No 55 Sir In the event of Captain the Honorable
Charles Paget being Invalided, you will be pleased
after making such arrangements as I have
already desired to appoint Captain Joseph
Pearce of this Chapin's Regt. Rifleman to the
Companion, Captain Mayson Wright of this
Chapin's Regt. Alban to the Lieutenant and
Lieutenant William Cobb, who goes on the
Fort to join you, to the Alban sending me
by the earliest opportunity a List of the Acting
Officers you may give on consequence
of the before mentioned vacancy

Yours obedient servant I have the honor to be Sir
Yours Yrs Yrs (Signed) J. Cockburn
Perman

By Post 31st July 1844
Sir, I have the honor to send you by Express

a copy of an Order which I have issued to the Squadron
under my command directing retaliatory measures to be
pursued towards the Citizens of the United States, also
a copy of a Standing Order which I have given to prevent
any American Prisoners being landed on shore or
exchanged unless by Persons acting with due authority
so to so until the balance in favor of Great Britain
which is now enormous is entirely liquidated or
at least very considerably reduced. Having before sent
directions by Mr. Low by no means to make any
exchanges I have to beg of you that you will not
sanction any measures which may act against my
Orders given with a view of compelling the American
Government to pay up the balance.

I have the honor to be Sir
(Signed) J. Cockburn
Perman