ordered Lewis Foster to be put on board the Surprise for a passage to this Station, with a statement of his case and a Report of his character.

I am Richard Rickerton Esq. I am &c

Admiral of the White

&c &c &c

A. Cochrane

Captain C.

H.M.

Tonnant, at Sea 8th Decr 1814

Sir,

No. 28

As the punishment reported in the enclosed list by the Acting Captain of H.M.S. Bearing your flag appears to me to have been in many instances unnecessarily severe, and by no means justified by the observations made by him subsequently when requiring his signature, I beg you will call upon him for some further explanation. And you will return me the enclosed Report with that explanation that I may forward them both to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. I imagine that the term mutinous is employed erroneously for expressions made use of by men from drunkenness not knowing what they said.

No. 16

For if the Albion's crew so as in so mutinous a state as this document represents them to be you would certainly have yourself reported a circumstance of such importance to me.

I have the honor to be &c

Rear Admiral Cockburn

&c &c &c

A. Cochrane

The Crew Records

&c

Tonnant at Sea 8th Decr 1814

Sir,

In the Report of Offences and punishments on board H.M.S. under your command from 1st July to 30th Sept. I observe the instances of gross insolence and three instances of theft of wine from the Stock belonging to the Lords Ja

No. 29