

Commodore of the
109, March 1815

Sir,

I request that you will be pleased
to ship on board His Britannic Majesty's Ships
the articles of Provisions specified in the margin
the use of the Squadron upon the Coast of Louisiana
taking the usual Vouchers from the Purser of that Ship
and as from the scarcity of specie, Government here
are at a great Loss, you will be pleased to
reserve these Vouchers until the Agent (Mr. Robert
Garble) or an Officer for him paying you
the amount of the Provisions, requests them from you

As you have undertaken to furnish all the
supplies required for His Britannic Majesty's Ships
arriving here at the lowest market price, it will be
satisfactory to the Government your having a Certificate
attached to your Vouchers that your charges are at the
lowest rate.

Yours
Signed / J. Drake

James Drake Esq.
Merchant Havana

Havana
1st March 1815

Sir,

I have sent the Adm. to acquaint
you that the Ships and Troops at Mobile are
in the greatest want of Provisions, being reduced
to a fortnight the number, actually there
to fourteen thousand, you must therefore
without a moment's delay send to Rear Admiral
Malcolm at least five months provisions
Ten thousand Men and more if it can be
spared you will order one Regt. of
to the Havana to learn the position
Rear Admiral should have left Mobile

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