

Bermuda 2 April 1815

Sir

I send you herewith a list of forty two Slaves
Negroes which I have directed to be discharged from the Alliance
to the Ruby. These persons escaped from the Slaves and got
to Cumberland Island without the knowledge of Rear Admiral
Sir George Cockburn; but having once placed themselves under the
protection of the British Flag, it was considered impolitic and rather
wanting in humanity to cause their being forced to return to their
former masters upon their being demanded. They are therefore to
be safely retained at Bermuda until the Lords Commissioners of the
Admiralty, to whom their circumstances are made known, shall
signify their direction respecting them: in the mean time you may
avail yourself of the services of the men; only having a watchful eye
over them that they may be forthcoming should it be decided by the
Government that they are to be sent back

I have the honor to be Sir
Signed / A. Cochrane

Commodore Grant
Bermuda

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Sir

In conveying to you the enclosed order to proceed
to England in consequence of the termination of hostilities with
America I feel it a most pleasing part of my duty to express to
you the very high sense I entertain of your eminent services
while under my commands and of the very judicious measures in
which you conducted and brought to successful issue the many
important transactions that were committed to your direction

Had the war continued I feel confident that the measures
which had been adopted in the Southern States and which you
so ably conducted would have equalled my fullest expectations
and that by following such active operations upon the valuable
part of the Enemy's Shore he would have been soon obliged to sue
for peace. I sincerely wish you a happy meeting with your
family in England from whom the important services in which
you have been engaged have so long separated you

Sir Geo. Cockburn N.C.S.

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