

Aug 22nd March 1844

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date in relation to the matter of the schooner and as you there state you shall feel great pleasure in affording any ship or ships may desire to any particular destination with the exception of the Schooner ~~and~~ and the Schooner ~~and~~ they have to request that I may be furnished with a copy of the instructions of the Squadron in order that I may judge of what additional force may be required to watch the points of attack as to completely blockade those parts of the Coast and if possible obtain Pilots and information of the Enemy's Force and Movements so as to enable the Expedition, on leaving this to proceed direct and without delay to the ultimate object

I have the honor to be
Sir J. B. M. A. C.