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Downing Street 28 April 1864

Sir

I have the honour to acquaint you that the USS *Albatross* has been appropriated and is now on the point of sailing from this country to the Bermudas, in order to convey the 102nd Regiment from there to Halifax. This Corps has been placed under your orders for the purpose of enabling you to occupy and maintain possession of the Islands in the Bay of Passamaquoddy, and I am to signify to you the pleasure of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent that you should make

Yours

Sir J. C. Shebrooke R.B.

Wm. Pitt Rivers