

Halifax 18 May 1814
My dear Sir

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I was yesterday honoured with
Your Excellency's letter of the 23rd ultimo
concerning the copy of a Proclamation
you had issued declaring the whole
of the Ports of the United States to
be in a state of strict & rigorous
Blockade. —

The Memorial addressed
to me a few days ago by the
Merchants of Halifax on this
subject (a copy of which I sent
to your Hon^r. Council with my

His Excellency
The Hon^r. Secy. Genl. Sir J. A. Cockburn K.B. Request
Commander in Chief. per