

frequent cause to mention to you on former occasions and who in the Battle of the 12th Commanded a Division of Seaman and behaved most Gallantly, occasionally also acting as an extra Aid-de-Camp to myself - Captain Robyns who commanded the Marines of the Fleet, and who was severely wounded during the Engagement I also beg to recommend to your favorable Notice and Consideration, as well as Lieutenant George C. Urmston of the Albion, whom I placed in Command of the smaller Boats to endeavor to keep up a Communication between the Army and the Navy, which he effected by great perseverance and thereby rendered us most essential Service - In short Sir every Individual seemed animated with equal anxiety to distinguish himself by good conduct on this occasion and I trust therefore the whole will be deemed worthy of your approbation.

Captain Nourse of the Severn was good enough to receive my Flag for this Service, he rendered me the greatest assistance in getting the Ships to the different Stations within the River and when the storming of the fortified Hill was contemplated he hastened to my assistance with a Reinforcement of Seamen and Marines, and I should consider myself wanting in Candor and Justice did I not particularly point out Sir to you the high opinion I entertain of the enterprize and ability of this valuable officer, not only for his conduct on this occasion, but on the very many others on which I have employed him since with me in the Chesapeake.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your very faithful and

Most obedient humble Servant

G. Cockburn

Rear Admiral

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