

Papers of Alexander Cochrane-MS 2348 ④
Cochrane to Croker
17 September 1814 (cont.)

Property from the City, and above all the collecting and harassing of his armed inhabitants from the surrounding country; producing a total stagnation of their commerce and heaping upon them considerable expense; at the same time drawing off their attention and support from other important quarters.

It has been a source of the greatest gratification to me, the continuance of that unanimity (which I have before noticed to their Lordships existing between the Services) and I have reason to assure them that the command of the army has fallen upon a most zealous and able officer in Col^l Brooke who has followed up the System of cordiality that had been so beneficially adopted by his late lamented chief. —

Rear Admiral Cockburn to whom I had confided that part of the Naval Service which was connected with the Army evinced his usual zeal and alacrity, and executed his important trust to my entire satisfaction — Rear Admiral Malcolm who regulated the collection, ~~de~~^{de}barkation and reembarkation of the Troops and the supplies they required, has merited my best thanks for his indefatigable exertions; and I have to express my acknowledgements for the council and assistance which in all our operations I have received from Rear Admiral Codrington, the Captain of the Fleet — The Captains of the Squadron who were employed in the various duties afloat were emulous to promote the Service in which they were engaged and with the officers acting under them are entitled to my fullest approbation — I beg leave to call attention to of their Lordships to the Report Rear Admiral Cockburn has made of the meritorious and gallant conduct of the Naval Brigade as well as to the accompanying Letter from Colonel Brooke expressing his obligations to Captain