

MS 2346
June 19, 1814.
To Lt. Gen. Sherbrooke.

Bermuda 19th June 1814

Sir, I have the honor to enclose your Ex^y articles that come under cover to me from the Admiralty which I presume contain directions to take possession of the Islands held by the United States in the blank.

I have recommended to Gen^l Horsford to send off the 102nd Reg^t without a moment's delay; the 2 Transports that we have here will take about 400 of the Regiment's ~~remains~~ ^{remains}. I have sent on the Alban Schooner with this letter to apprize your Ex^y in order that the necessary preparations may be made at Halifax. I will direct Sir Thomas Hardy to call at - blank - upon the pretence of being in want of water for the troops until their arrival at Quebec. Your Ex^y may therefore either suffer them to remain there or order them to Halifax as? you may judge best which the early information will? ~~will~~ enable you to provide for - Sir Isaac ~~will~~ who commands the Pictou is perfectly acquainted with the situation of ~~blank~~ ^{blank} without any suspicion of our intentions he has given me the enclosed birds eye view of the Islands. He is an officer to be relied upon & may be able to give your Ex^y much useful information. I shall direct one of the Bomb Ships to attend the expedition, as she may be of service, after which she can return to ~~blank~~.

I have the honor to be Sir
(signed) B. Cochrane

To His Ex^y }
Lt. Gen^l Sir J. C. }
Sherbrooke etc }