

with any of my comments on this subject, but I should conceive myself wanting in my Duty if I concealed such information, for if the Assurances of the Master and the Supercargo be correct, (and as yet I have no authority to doubt their word) I conceive our Government should be acquainted with the fact, if their assertions be false, it is but justice to Mr. Allen, to acquaint him, by whom his honor has been impeached.

May I request that before I proceed on my next Cruise, you will furnish me with some instructions on the subject of Mr. Allen's Papers - as they do not appear to me to be connected with the Hundred and Eighty Licences left by Mr. Forster.

I have the honor to be
(Signed) Robt. Barrie Capt^m

To
Rear Admiral
George Cockburn Esq. d. d.

His Majesty's Ship Malta, in
Alicant Bay, 5th November 1812.

Sir,

In pursuance of Directions from the Commander in Chief in the Mediterranean, I send the Comet to Cadix, as belonging to that station, of which I was not aware when I ordered her from hence to Palermo, in August.

Captain Smith is charged with a Letter to His Excellency Sir Henry Wellesley on the subject of the present Governor of Alicant, Caamano, who has assumed a character so decidedly hostile to the English, in every aspect that Major General Clinton, the Commander of our Forces here, has felt it indispensable to make a formal representation of his conduct: and, in my opinion, the safety of this Garrison