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Navy Yard Gosport
June 29th 1813

This day there is laying at the mouth of Elizabeth river, six sail of the Line & four frigates, and yesterday thirteen sail went up James river, and come too off Pagan Creek, Consisting of six frigates two Brigs five Schooners for what purpose is not yet known, however the inhabitants are moving out of Smithfield as well from this quarter in every direction; we may expect a furious attack ere long from the enemy; The Gunboats lay near Craneys Island, thirteen in number in full view of the enemy; The Constellation lays with very few men, the greater part of them being on Board of the Gunboats, and on shore—

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your obt. Servt.

John Casin

The Honble
William Jones