

into execution the plans I conceive most likely to harass the Enemy; and from the information I have received it will be absolutely necessary to place all the Northern ports in the same State of Strict blockade as those to the Southward have hitherto been; which determination I trust will meet the approbation of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedient
humble Servant
Alex^d Cochrane
Vice Admiral

Letter endorsed (^{for} by J.C.?)

Apr 15 _____ on the subject of the
blockade - refer him to the letter of the
directing Sir J. Warren to constituting?
such different? blockades as he may
judge proper. Advise him that he should
number his dispatches
instituting?