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San Domingo Off the
South end of Kent Is-
land Chesapeake, 23rd
August 1813.

Sir,

I request you will commu-
-nicate to their Lordships that on
the 20th Ult^o I detached Captain
Shirreff with the Baropa, Savus-
sinus, Conflict and Prohawk Sloop
and High Flyer Tender up the Bay
in hopes of cutting off some of the
Baltimore Flotilla amounting to
six or seven sail of Schooners and
some Row Gallies, likewise to se-
-cure the papers and Ferry around
Kent Island; And I also directed
Rear Admiral Cockburn to lead
the Squadron up the Bay, it
falling little Wind however on
the 11th Instant several of the
Ships on account of the Tide were
obliged to Anchor, but the Scepter
from having a light breeze was
enabled to get up as high as Kent
Island; when the Rear Admiral,
having three Companies of the 102nd

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