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Duke

Saw Domingo Off the South end of Kent Island Chesapeake, 23rd August 1813.

Sir,

I request you will communicate to their Lordships that on the 20th Ult^o. I detached Captain Shirreff with the Barrow, Laurens, Conflit and Mohawk Hope 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 secure 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 Septent 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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