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The Army reached Nottingham upon the 21st and on the following day arrived at Marlborough. The Flotilla continued advancing towards the Station of Commodore Barney, about three Miles above Pig Point, who, altho' much superior in Force to that sent against him, did not wait an attack, but at the appearance of our Boats set fire to his Flotilla, and the whole of his Vessels, excepting one, were blown up.

For the particulars of this well executed Service I must refer their Lordships to Rear Admiral Cochrane's Report N^o 1, who, on the same Evening conveyed to me an account of his success and intimation from Major General Ross of his intention to proceed to the City of Washington, considering, from the information he had received, that it might be assailed if done with alacrity: and in consequence had determined to march that Evening upon Bladensburg. The remaining Boats of the Fleet were immediately employed in conveying up the River Supplies of Provisions for the Forces upon their return to Nottingham, agreeable to an arrangement made by the Rear Admiral, who proceeded on in company with the Army.

The Report N^o 2 of Rear Admiral Cochrane will inform their Lordships of the brilliant successes of the Forces after their departure from Marlborough, where they returned upon the 26th, and having reached Benedict upon the 29th, the Expedition was embarked in good order.

On continued Services, such as we have been engaged in, it gives me the greatest pleasure to find myself united with so able and experienced an Officer as Major General Ross,

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