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frontier of Georgia, taking post upon Cumberland Island and there throwing up ~~a~~ temporary works for the protection of the negroes that seek refuge under the British flag. - About 200 men will be sufficient for the security of this post, where they will be daily gaining strength. With the two battalions of Marines & the additional aid which can be spared from the Shipping, the Rear Admiral will have a force of about 1500 men, with which he will be able to occupy the attention of the Enemy whilst we are carrying on our operations in Louisiana.

You forgot to name the Troops ~~on~~ upon the margin of your letter, as also the number of Troop ships. I am well pleased however to observe that every ship is to bring out two flat boats, as we are much cramped in our means of landing a sufficient body of men to resist the immediate attack of an Enemy.

I am much affraid that it will not be in the power of Rear Admiral Brown to procure the number of small vessels you speak of, [10 to 20] of a construction calculated for the shoal water in the vicinity of New Orleans.

The 5th West India Regiment will be of much use, & I hope that the other may also follow. But as the composition of the West India Regiments does not make them equal to British troops in numbers fit for active service, I trust that none but the really effective may be allowed to come with them.

I am glad to find that the Rifles and Carbines etc. are on their way; but I hope they are accompanied by some hundred sets of Dragoon's accoutrements for the Indians as well as ~~as well~~ as such Cavalry as we may be able to form from the regiments and the Ships of war.