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Should be a description of Vessels similar to the Gun brigs, fitted with Furnaces, and sufficient strength to carry two Guns of either 32 pounder or 24 pounder Caliber, on pivots, amidships, with the means of giving them any direction, and the Bulwarks to let down if necessary; the Vessels to be no larger than may be capable of navigating the Atlantic with safety, with the Guns in the Hold, and of affording accommodations to their Crews; and they should be particularly provided with the means of moving fast in Calms, as it will be at those times that the Steam battery will be most formidable; and it is expected she can receive (sic) a velocity of five or six miles per hour. The Vessels to oppose her should be well found in Anchors and Cables, as they will generally be at anchor; and two light Guns for Ordinary occasions might be found useful.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Henry Hotham
Rear Admiral

Endorsed as follows:

Jan 14. Now not _____ this?
will be taken _____ in the Spring.