

ADM 1/1553/150  
Broke - Croker  
July 30, 1812

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Merchantships; — our Squadron is in excellent service order and confident of destroying our Enemy's little Navy if we are fortunate enough to meet them; I find Captain Bream was hitherto unacquainted with the American declaration of War, and have directed him to warn his Convoy accordingly of the danger they will be exposed to by separation;

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your very Obedient Servant  
P B V Broke

Endorsed at Admiralty —

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and Express their Lordships approbation of the judicious measures he appears to have taken & of the full & satisfactory account he gives of the state of Naval affairs on the coast of America.

Make copy for — — — — —  
Gazette.

\* Added by Broke in margin

By the American newspapers, the Bream was at Boston on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>l</sup>. She went there with the Chesapeake's men. It was under a flag of truce.

(These were <sup>two of</sup> the prisoners taken in 1807. See Dudley; I-198)