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Bathurst to Barnes
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To Major General Barnes
or the Officer in Command of the
Troops detached from the Gironde

SECRET

Dorring Street
20th May 1814

Sir.

It having been judged expedient to effect
a Diversion on the Coasts of the United States
of America in favour of the Army employed
in the defence of Upper Canada, Admirals
Sir A. Cockburne has received instructions to
direct a Squadron to proceed with a
Detachment of Troops and a Battalion of
Marines towards those places on the Coast
where it may appear to him most advisable
that a Descent should be made; and His
Royal Highness the Prince Regent confiding in
your valour, enterprise and discretion has
been graciously pleased to commit to you
the Command of these Troops in such
Operations as you may judge it expedient
when on shore to undertake.

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