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Croker to Warren

the Spider, is included which was not even? with y & was lying in Falmouth being incapable of service & the Froggeren ———— fV which are commanded by Lieutenants & which obviously ought to have come under the head of smaller vessels to this must be added that the Fox included as the present force of the Leeward Islands was under your immediate orders at the date of your disposition of the 14 Jan^y refitting at Halifax.

These observations acquire peculiar force from an inspection of your said disposition dated the 14 Jan^y but not dispatched till after the 21st of that month in which no less than 1 frigate & 4 sloops are specified as ———— in the ———— district which are nevertheless in your return of only a few days later date included under the title of the present force at Jamaica.

Their Ld^{ts} are obliged to make these remarks because they feel that if the returns made to them of the disposition of HM naval forces are not upon all ———— complete & accurate great inconvenience to the public service(?) it is therefore incumbent upon them to come to a distinct implementation? many points in which such reports appear to them doubtful or liable to misunderstanding or mistake in the Jamaica district

I am to observe that the arrival of the B ———— was an event which would not have been ———— upon by you so as to make up the deficiency of force on the station & that the intentions of sending the Staturia (then cruising of New York would hardly justify a statement that she was