

Copy of a LETTER from the Navy Office, addressed to Commissioner *Hull*, at Quebec; touching the Sale of the Frames of the *Prompte* and *Psyché* Frigates.

SIR,

Navy Office, 27th July 1814.

THE Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having, by their Orders of the 18th and 21st instant, informed us, that, in consequence of communications which had been received from Sir George Prevost, it has been thought expedient to abandon the intention of setting up, on Lake Ontario, the two frigates *Prompte* and *Psyché*, together with the *Goshawk* and *Colibri* sloops of war, which were sent in frame from this country to Quebec, and directed us to cause the frames of the said Frigates to be sold; and their Lordships having further directed us, in the event of its not being judged practicable or adviseable to construct the two sloops *Goshawk* and *Colibri*, on the Lakes, to cause their frames to be sent to Halifax, for the purpose of being built at that place;—We signify the same for your information, and desire you will act accordingly.

(Signed)

Henry Peake.
Robert Seppings.
Henry Legge.

To Commissioner *Hull*, Quebec.

Attested,
G. Smith.

(Copy.)

Naval Yard, Kingston,
U. C. 31st October 1814.

Gentlemen,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 27th July, directing me to cause the Frames of the frigates *Prompte* and *Psyché*, and sloops of war *Goshawk* and *Colibri*, to be forwarded to Halifax, for the purpose of being built there; and beg leave to acquaint you, that previous to my arrival, the frames of the frigate *Psyché* and the two sloops had been forwarded from Quebec to Montreal, and the frame of the *Prompte* to Kingston; however, I have ordered Captain *Kempt* (Agent of Transports at Quebec) to employ Transports in carrying the frames of the frigate *Psyché* and the two sloops, from Montreal to Halifax, which I have no doubt will arrive there before the end of the season.

In consequence of the great scarcity of Iron-work in this country, I have ordered such iron-work, sails, rigging, &c. &c. as belonged to them, to be forwarded from Montreal to this place, for the use of the Lake service.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) *Rob. Hall,*
Commissioner.

The Honourable
the principal Officers and Commissioners
of His Majesty's Navy, London.