

peril—Mr. Omerod's 'Lodge' was already on fire—Mr. Sandimands crossed over from Villa Nova, and now informed the consul, in the presence of the captain, that he apprehended Mr. Omerod's wines would be entirely destroyed.—The captain said something to the consul;—the reply of the latter I lost, but the captain returned, '*I'll take the responsibility all upon myself*;' and galloped away to Colonel Bacon's stable.—He then proceeded direct on board, and made the signal for Lord George Paulet and the commander of the *Echo*;—two guns were fired in quick succession to enforce the signal, to draw attention, and to recal all officers on board.

*Ned.*—Yes, for some of the officers landed to look at the fire.

*Sam.*—We instantly beat to quarters, and made every preparation for extinguishing the *fire*;—hatchets, crow-bars, coils of rope, fire-buckets, and every thing considered serviceable were now collected.—The blue-jackets were each armed with a cutlass and pistol, and the marines