

N^o 19. Extract of a Letter from Captain Rupert George, of His Majesty's Ship *Huffar*, to Mr. Stephens; dated Maugor's Beach, Entrance of Halifax Harbour, 9th September 1793.

I WROTE fully by the Halifax Packet, which sailed the 29th ultimo, since which nothing particular has happened. The State of Security which I then believed this Place to be in against any Attack from the Enemy, has since received an Increase, by the Erection of another Battery of Six 24 Ponders, and the mounting some other Guns; and the principal Ports on this Coast having been supplied with Cannon, Small Arms, and Ammunition, are supposed to be sufficiently strong (at least) to resist an Attack from Privateers.

N^o 20. Copy of a Letter from Captain Rupert George, Commander of His Majesty's Ship *Huffar*, to Mr. Stephens; dated at Halifax, 12th October 1793.

Sir,

HAVING, on the Appearance of His Majesty's Ship under my Command off this Harbour, had the good Fortune to meet the *Queen Charlotte* Packet, bound for Falmouth, I have a Minute to inform their Lordships that I sailed hence on the 23d ult. since which I anchored at Boston, and have been off New York and Philadelphia; and, notwithstanding former Accounts, have Reason to suppose that the Two French Line of Battle Ships, *Le Jupiter*, and *L'Eole*, and the Frigates, have some Expedition in View, previous to their Departure from this Coast for France. I can only add, that we are (in my Opinion) prepared to receive them, should their Intention be to attack this Part of the Province.

(Signed)

RUP^T GEORGE.