

APPENDIX TO VOLUME II.

*Note A. referred to page 15.*

“By the honourable George Cranfield Berkeley, Vice-Admiral of the White, and Commander-in-Chief of his Majesty’s ships and vessels employed in the river St. Lawrence, along the coast of Nova Scotia, the island of St. John, and Cape Breton, the Bay of Fundy, and at and about the island of Bermuda, or Somers’ Island.

“Belisle,  
Bellona,  
Triumph,  
Chichester,  
Halifax,  
Zenobia, cutter.”

“Whereas, many seamen, subjects of His Britannic Majesty, and serving in his ships and vessels, as per margin, while at anchor in the Chesapeake, deserted, and entered on board the United States’ frigate, called the Chesapeake, and openly paraded the streets of Norfolk, in sight of their

officers, under the American flag; protected by the magistrates of the town, and the recruiting officer belonging to the above-mentioned American frigate, which magistrates and naval officer refused giving them up, although demanded by His Britannic Majesty’s consul, as well as the captains of the ships from which the said men had deserted.

“The captains of His Majesty’s ships and vessels under my command, are therefore hereby required and directed, in case of meeting with the American frigate, the Chesapeake, at sea, and without the limits of the United States, to show to the captain of her this order, and to require to search his ship for the deserters from the before-mentioned ships, and to proceed and search for the same, and if a similar demand should be made by the Americans, he is to be permitted to search for any deserters from their service, according to the customs and usage of civilised nations on terms of peace and amity with each other.

“Given under my hand at Halifax, Nova Scotia, the 1st June, 1807.

Signed “G. BERKELEY.

“To the respective captains and commanders of His Majesty’s ships and vessels on the North American Station.

“By command of the Vice-Admiral.  
Signed “JAMES BACKIE.”

No. I.—COPY.

The captain of His Britannic Majesty’s ship Leopard, has the honour to enclose the captain of the United States’ ship Chesapeake,

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