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U. S. S. Lexington  
Off Buenos Ayres  
River Plate  
Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 1831.

The Commander of the Lexington has it in proof  
and upon oath that the Schooner Harriett was plun-  
dered of almost every article on board by the orders  
of Lewis Cornet calling himself Governor and  
proprietor of the Falkland Islands.

Signed J. Duncan

Copy of Duncan's letter  
to me.

