Guide to the Brenton Correspondence

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: OSB MSS 35

CREATOR: Brenton, Edward Pelham, 1774-1839

TITLE: Brenton correspondence

DATES: 1819–1836

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Letters to Brenton regarding his book, “The Naval History of Great Britain.” Mainly compliments to Brenton on the book. Some express interest in purchasing it, and some offer to give further information to help his research. Some, including George Cockburn, James De Saumarez, Richard Keats, and David Milne, include further information in their letters.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Scope and Contents
This finding aid encompasses accessions of materials pertaining to Edward Pelham Brenton.
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<td>Brougham and Vaux, Henry Brougham, 1st Baron, 1778-1868. Letter (3d person) to Edward Pelham Brenton, Harrington</td>
<td>1836 Jul 16</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 2</td>
<td>Cockburn, Sir George, Bart, 1772-1853. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Admiralty</td>
<td>1822 Oct 6</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 3</td>
<td>Derby, Edward Stanley, 12th Earl of, 1752-1834. Letter (3d person) to Edward Pelham Brenton, Grosvenor House</td>
<td>1823 Feb 6</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 4</td>
<td>De Saumarez, James Saumarez, 1st Baron, 1757-1836. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Saumarez, Guernsey. Admiral Saumarez writes concerning his command during 1801 in Algeziras Bay and in the Baltic, 1808-13.</td>
<td>1821 Aug 30</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 5</td>
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<td>Grenville, Thomas, 1755-1846. ALS, 2 AL to Edward Pelham Brenton, Dropmore, Cleveland Square</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 7</td>
<td>Hardwicke, Charles Philip Yorke, 4th Earl of, 1799-1873. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton. York sets an appointment for conversation with Brenton.</td>
<td>1823 Mar 23</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 8</td>
<td>Keats, Sir Richard Goodwin, 1757-1834. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Greenwich. Accompanied by memorandum, holograph, signed, of 1824 Feb 31 outlining the voyages of the Superb during 1805-6 under Admiral Duckworth.</td>
<td>1824 Feb 25</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 9</td>
<td>Keith, George Leith Elphinstone, Viscount, 1746-1823. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Kincasidine. Keith offers Brenton access to his papers.</td>
<td>1819 Aug 9</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 10</td>
<td>Knighton, Sir William, Bart, 1776-1836. 2 ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Windsor Lodge and Pavilion. Knighton was, in 1822-23, private secretary and keeper of the privy purse to King George IV.</td>
<td>1822 Oct 14, 1823 Jan 27</td>
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<td>Milne, Sir David, 1763-1845. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Inveresk, by Edinburgh</td>
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<td>Spencer, George John Spencer, 2nd Earl of, 1758-1834. ALS, AL to Edward Pelham Brenton, Northampton and St. James’s Place. Spencer orders a subscription to Brenton’s Naval History, and, in the latter note, thanks Brenton for the portrait of Lord St. Vincent.</td>
<td>1822 Oct 18, 1823 Mar 15</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 13</td>
<td>St. Vincent, John Jervis, Earl of, 1735-1823. ALS to Edward Pelham Brenton, Mortimer Street.</td>
<td>1810 Nov 17</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 14</td>
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Selected Search Terms
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Preferred Titles
Naval history of Great Britain, from the year MDCCLXXXIII to MDCCCXXII

Geographic Names
Great Britain -- History, Naval -- 18th century
Great Britain -- History, Naval -- 19th century

Names
Brenton, Edward Pelham, 1774-1839
Cockburn, George, Sir, 1772-1853
De Saumarez, James Saumarez, Baron, 1757-1836
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