

ADML/3198 (Lieut's Letter W) from ADML2/94

Adder Deptford  
24th Nov<sup>r</sup> 1802

Sir,

I beg you will be pleased to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the Two Admiralty Midshipmen, not yet joined the Adder. I have to beg their Lordships will be pleased to appoint Two when convenient to their Lordships.

I am informed by Mr. Thomas Mitchel Copplestone now on board H.M. Ship Adder he apply<sup>d</sup> to My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to be appointed one of the Admiralty Midshipmen. I am satisfy<sup>d</sup> with Thomas Mitchel Copplestone as one should it meet their Lordships Probation.

Sir  
I have the Honor to be your Most Obed<sup>t</sup> and  
Very Humble Servant

George Wood

Endorsed: Nov.25. Let him know that they will be ordered to join. Mr. Willingworth Jun<sup>r</sup> to hurry there (?). If they don't join by then that they will be suspended and not employed again anywhere.

Mr. Copplestone I believe has not served his term.

Loose note inside this document: "Sir, Not any midshipmen have yet been appointed to the Adder, neither have I seen any application from Mr. Copplestone."

John Markham Esq.

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The first letter addressed: O H M S Sir Evan Nissenn (?) Bart  
Admiralty, London

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In the digest is also noted a Pro C letter dated Nov.24th 'asking appointment'. It must therefore have been received at the Admiralty, but lost, since there is no Pro C 324 in the box of documents under ADML/4409.