

You have told us that some of her servants accompanied her Majesty on the journey from Milan to Rome, who were they? The Countess Oldi Baron Bergami, Mr. Hownam, Count Vassali, Lewis Bergami, Brunette, Dumont, and the child Victorine. Was not the weather very hot when her Royal Highness went from Rome to Senegaglia? Yes very hot. Was that the reason her Royal Highness travelled by night on that journey? It was: she travelled at night because it was so hot. Did her Royal Highness's carriage go first? Her Royal Highness went first, next the bastadella, and the caratella last. Was Theodore Majocchi with you on that journey? He was. And Ferdinand Ratti? Yes. How did they travel? On the box of the bastadella. Were there two servants of the name of Solyman and Polydore? Yes. How did Solyman and Polydore travel on that journey? Solyman travelled on the box of the bastadella, & Polydore came a day after. On that journey did you go forward and order the horses at the several posts? No, I did not; Sacchini set out from Rome for that purpose two hours before us. Will you swear that on that journey you did not go on before her Royal Highness, and order the horses? No, I remained with the carriages, and Sacchini set out before us. That is not an answer to my question. I ask you will you swear that you did not go on at each stage, and order the horses? Yes, I will swear an hundred thousand times, that I always rode on horseback, near the Princess's carriage. Who ordered the horses? Sacchini. How did Sacchini travel? In a carriage or caratella. Was that the caratella which belonged to her Royal Highness? No, it was a carriage which he took on from stage to stage. How came you then in your leading examination, to say that Sacchini rode in the caratella? Mr. Brougham here interposed, and observed, that the witness did not say that Sacchini rode in the caratella, but in a caratella. What was the reason that Sacchini travelled on that occasion in a carriage? Because he was not fit to mount a horse; because when he rode on horseback a post or two he was chafed. He did ride part of the way then? Yes; as I said before, he set out from Milan to go to Rome, and on the way he was chafed, and he got into the carriage and rode to Rome, and I mounted on horseback. How long had you been at Rome before you set out for Senegaglia; was it two months? Yes, two months. What months? June, July, and we set out the 1st August. Do you mean to say that Sacchini laboured under the effects of the riding on the journey to Rome when you left Rome two months after? He set out from Milan on horseback; and after he rode five or six stages, he was much chafed; he then requested to get a carriage and he had one. I again ask you was it not two months before that Sacchini rode on horseback; how then could he have laboured under the effects of what you mention? He travelled in a caratella, because if he rode he would be chafed. But did you not remain at Rome two months before you set out for Senegaglia? Yes we did. Will you swear then that Sacchini laboured under the effects of what you mention when he set out on the journey to Senegaglia? Mr. Brougham here observed, that the witness said no such thing. He said that on the former journey from Milan to Rome, an accident happened to Sacchini, which seemed afterwards to give Sacchini an objection against riding. He did not say that the hurt in the sitting part (a laugh) of Sacchini continued up to the time when the journey to Senegaglia was commenced. What was the reason why Sacchini travelled in a carriage on that journey? Because he did not wish to ride on horseback, for if he did he should be tired and chafed before he would ride many posts. Did Sacchini ride on horseback any part of that journey? On the journey from Rome to Senegaglia he did not. How long had Sacchini been a courier in her Royal Highness's service? Twelve or thirteen months. Was Sacchini the courier on her Royal Highness's tour through Germany? He was; but I was not in her service at that time. Where did you reside when you were at Rome? At the hotel del Europe, under the Spanish Piazza, near the house of the Spanish Ambassador. Where were you after at Rome? I was always at the house of her Royal Highness. Did you sleep there every night? Yes I did. Did you never sleep in any other place? No.

By Lord Erskine—Did you ever observe during the whole time you were in her Royal Highness's service, any thing immodest or indecent in her behaviour towards Bergami or any other person? Never; Bergami always spoke with much esteem when he spoke to her. (The Interpreter added, that the word which he had translated "esteem" meant "respect.")

By Lord Ellenborough—Were you travelling alone when this accident happened at Astoria? I was travelling to meet Bergami. Do you know why you were released from prison so soon? The Secretary of State, who governed at Rome, saw what I was, and the gentleman in whose service the courier was, saw it was a misfortune and accident, and exerted himself to procure my liberation.

Lieutenant JOHN FLINN was brought to the bar and sworn.

Examined by Mr. Denman.—Are you a Lieutenant of the Royal Navy of England? I am. Are you now settled in Sicily? Yes I am. Did you see her R. H. the Princess of Wales at Messina in November 1815? I did. Did you hold any command on board any vessel at that time? I did. What sort of a vessel was it? It was a gun-boat. Did her R. H. make any application to you respecting a voyage? She did. What was that application? It was to proceed with her on a voyage to Constantinople and other places. Was a polacre hired for that purpose? Yes. Who commanded that polacre? Her Majesty gave the command to me. Did you continue in the command during the whole time that her R. H. was on board? I did, most assuredly. Who fitted up the cabins of the polacre? I did. Under the direction of her R. H. or at your own discretion? By the order of her R. H. And at her expense? At her expense. Was there any surgeon on board? When we got to Tunis, a surgeon was taken on board. Is he now living? I believe not; I have heard not. Was it necessary to make any alteration at Tunis in the sleeping apartments? Yes, Bergami's was changed to the dining room from the after-cabin, which was on the right hand as you looked forward. Do you know the situation of the bed-rooms that were occupied by her R. H. and Bergami, during the whole voyage? I do. I wish to know whether, at any time, in the situation in which the beds of those two individuals were placed, it was possible for them to see one another while in bed? I say no. Did your duty lead you to attend her R. H. and to see the arrangement of the apartments? I have sometimes been called for by her R. H. to know how the weather was. From what place did she call to you? From her cabin. Did she ever call you from any other place in the night time? Yes, when sleeping under a tent upon deck. What was Garguilo's situation on board the ship? He was Captain of the ship. Was he acting Captain, or Master? I was acting Captain, by the order of her Majesty: all the orders from her Majesty were given to me, and by me to the master of the ship. What was the duty of Garguilo, or his station, on board the polacre? He had to attend to the duty of the ship; it was his duty to attend to the men. Did that duty call him to that part of the ship in which her Majesty was? Not at all times: a man could command the ship without being in the apartments of her Majesty at all times. Was it his duty to attend her Majesty, unless an order was given him by you to do so? No. Was he in the habit of coming into her Royal Highness's room of his own accord? He might have done it of his own accord; but he could not without receiving some orders from me. Was it his duty to take orders from you? Yes. You have mentioned a tent that was sometimes raised on the deck, how near was the steersman to it? About three or four feet. Did your duty in the course of the night call you to the place where the steersman was? Most assuredly. Where did you sleep? On the return from Jaffa, I slept on the deck, over the helm—I should say less than five feet. From the place which the steersman occupied, was it possible to hear what was said in the tent? Generally, I should think it might. Describe what you mean by generally? I should think that conversation between two persons, as loud as conversation usually is, might be heard. Did you hear what was said under the tent? No, never. Was it near enough for you to have heard things that passed? Yes. Did the tent cover the whole of the deck; or was there a passage left? There was a passage on one side at night. Were you in the habit of passing along that passage at night? Yes. And others of the crew? Certainly. Do you recollect a light being sometimes put under the tent, and being afterwards taken away? Yes, it was taken away for the preservation of the ship and all on board. Why was it taken away? There were pirates in the Archipelago, and on that account it was not safe to have lights upon deck. Do you know of pirates being in those seas by having seen any? Yes. Was the danger of having a light in the tent represented to her R. H.? It was. Was it removed after that representation? It was. Was there any communication between the interior of the tent and the cabin below? Yes. What sort of communication was it? There was a ladder that went down to the dining-room. How was it kept at night, open or shut? It was kept open; the tent was closed, but the opening to the passage was kept clear. Was the tub used by the Princess placed in the cabin where she slept? It was too large to be placed in the cabin. In the course of the night did the Princess ever call to you from the tent? In manoeuvring the ship at night I have sometimes disturbed the Princess's repose, and she has then called to me. When you answered that call, did you open the tent? Sometimes, when I could not distinctly hear all the Princess had to say, I was obliged to open it. Do you know where Bergami slept on board your vessel? On the return from Jaffa, I do not know where he slept. Where did he sleep on the other voyage? On going out, in the dining-room. Do you recollect the position of the Princess's cabin, with respect to that of the Countess Oldi? The cabin was divided into two divisions: that of the Princess was much larger than that of the Countess Oldi. Was there any communication between them? There was a door and two sky-lights; two openings on deck. Allow me to ask you if there was any gun on deck? Yes. Did you ever see the Princess sitting on the gun with any person? No. Did you ever see her

sitting in the lap of any person on board that vessel? No. Did you ever see her with her arms round the neck of any person? No. Or kissing any person except perhaps the child Victorine? No. During the whole time you had the management of this vessel and the Princess was on board, did you see the slightest impropriety or indecency in her behaviour towards Bergami, or towards any other persons? No. Do you remember Bergami's going to land at Terracina? Very well. Did you see him take leave of the Princess? I did. Describe what was done on that occasion? He kissed the Princess's hand on leaving the ship, which was done by all persons on taking leave. How long have you been in the navy? Sixteen years. You wear some orders; what are they? The orders of Merit and Fidelity of the King of Naples. When did you obtain them? On the occasion of taking several privateers when serving in the Neapolitan navy. Did you receive the King of England's permission to wear those orders? One I have. Which is that? A third order.

On his cross-examination by the Solicitor General.

Have you looked at your memorandum since you went out? No, I have not. Now look at your memorandum, but do not read it aloud, and tell me how long you were on the voyage from Jaffa to Syracuse? We sailed from Jaffa on the 12th July, and arrived at Syracuse on the 20th August. During the voyage from Tunis to Jaffa, where did Bergami sleep? In the dining room. What, every night? To the best of my recollection he did. How do you know that? Because I had frequent occasions to go to her Majesty in the morning, to pay my respects, and I saw him in bed. Were these the only occasions on which you saw him in bed in the dining room? The only occasions. Did her Majesty sleep below during the voyage from Tunis to Jaffa? I believe she did. When you went to pay your respects to her Majesty, where was she? In her own room. What, in her sleeping cabin? Yes. In bed? On the sofa. Dressed or not? Dressed. And Bergami on those occasions was in bed in the dining room? He was in bed. How many times in a week might you have seen him on an average? I never particularised; but sometimes, when I have gone in, he has said "good morning" as I passed. What kind of bed or bedstead did he sleep upon? I believe it was an iron bedstead, but I cannot positively recollect. Was it fixed? It was not a fixture, but lashed to the side of the vessel. Do you mean to swear that from that bed, the bed of the Princess, when the door was open, might not be seen? I should think not. Now, then, it is only you should think not, did you never stand in such a position as to see? No. Pray was it your duty to attend upon the Princess? No it was not; but when called for, I frequently went there. You had no other business in the dining cabin at night? No. You had the command of the ship, and you did not go into the cabin at night? I did not, not being sent for. Not on the outward nor on the homeward voyage? On the homeward I have. Often? Not often: such as going to dinner. At night I mean? Never without being called for. Who used to call you into the dining cabin at night? Some of the servants. And being so called, have you gone at different times? I have gone when called for; but I never went of my own accord. And that happened frequently? Not very frequently. Has it happened several times? I cannot specify the number of times, but it has happened more than once. Did it happen twice, three times, or ten times? I cannot positively recollect the number of times. Now under this tent on the deck, there was a bed; was there also a sofa? There was a sofa and a bed. Whose bed? I believe Mr. Austen's. Who slept in it? I do not know. Do you mean to swear that you do not know that the Princess slept in that bed? The Princess slept on the sofa, not on the bed. Near that bed? Not very near. How far off? As far as I am from that seat. Three or four yards? We will say three yards. Will you swear that there was an interval of three yards, or any thing like three yards, between the bed and the sofa? Between the extremity of both there was a great deal more. But was there more than a yard between the nearest point of both? Yes most assuredly, more than two yards. Where did the Princess sleep; on the sofa? Yes. How did you know that? Because I had occasion to see when I went in one night. Is that the only reason you have for knowing it? Having seen her there, I conceived she always slept there. Who slept on the bed? I don't know. For what purpose was it put there? I have seen it used for the purpose of sitting upon during the day. Do you mean to swear that it was put there for people to sit on during the day? I have seen it used for that purpose. Do you mean that it was placed there for that purpose? I do not know any other purpose. Did you ever see Bergami in that bed? I never saw him in the bed: I have seen him upon it in the day-time. But you have never seen him lie upon it in the day-time? No. Do you mean to swear that you have never seen him lie upon it in the day-time? I do. Had you never any curiosity to enquire where Bergami slept during the whole voyage from Jaffa to Syracuse? No, I had other duties to attend to, such as navigating the ship, to carry her Majesty to different places where she went. Have you any doubt that Bergami slept in that bed in the tent during that voyage and the whole of it? I cannot say where he slept; I never went to enquire where he was, or what he did: I can only repeat that I never saw him in bed there. I repeat the question—Have you any doubt he slept in that bed every night on the voyage from Jaffa to Syracuse? I cannot state it. Have you any doubt upon the subject.—I repeat the question? I certainly must doubt whether he slept there: I do not know whether he slept there or not, but I never saw him there; I do not know where he slept. Do you mean to swear that you entertain doubts about his sleeping there? When I never saw him there, I have reason to doubt that he did sleep there. Do you mean by that to say that you believe he did not sleep there? I believe that he did not sleep there. Where did he sleep? I do not know. Did you ever see him sleep in the cabin on the voyage from Jaffa to Syracuse? I never went into the cabin to see whether he was there or not. Did you ever see him during any part of that voyage sleeping in the cabin? I did not; I never went into the cabin to see whether he slept there or not. Did you ever see him one single night sleeping in the cabin? I do not recollect. Then you do not mean now to repeat that you believe he did not sleep in the tent? I mean to repeat that I do not know where he did sleep. Do you mean to have it believed that you do not believe that he slept in the tent? I believe that he did not sleep in the tent. What is your reason for believing that he

did not sleep in the tent? Because, when I went to see her Majesty, I did not see any one there. Was it light or dark? It was dark (a laugh). Of what country are you a native? I was born in England, but I am partly an Irishman. Going in then only when it was dark, and not seeing him there in the dark, do you mean to say he was not there? The light from the binnacle was sufficient to give me an opportunity of seeing whether he was there or not, the light of the binnacle shone in at the place when I opened the tent. Then you mean to swear that at that time Bergami was not in the bed? Yes. Attend to the oath you have taken, and answer me, whether upon the night when the Princess called you, and when there was a light from the binnacle, you will swear that Bergami was not upon the bed? I do swear it. Was that the only occasion when you saw that bed when Bergami was not there? I have gone there frequently when called for, and have seen the bed in the same position, and he never was there. You mean to swear that if he had been there you must have seen him? Yes, if he had been in the bed I must have seen him. Do you remember the night of a storm off Candia? Yes. Did the Princess go below? Yes. Where did she sleep? I did not follow her down, but I believe she slept in the cabin belonging to Mr. Hownam. Do you know that she did not sleep on the deck by the side of Mr. Hownam's cabin? She might have gone there; afterwards: the management of the ship required me to stop on deck; I believe that next morning I saw her Majesty in Mr. Hownam's cabin. Did you not go below and see her during the night. It does not strike me that I did; it was blowing very hard. Where did you see Bergami in the morning. I saw him coming up the ladder on deck. Do you mean to swear that during the whole night you did not see him lying on the deck below. I did not. You had the whole command of the vessel. The ship was hired by her Majesty, and she gave me the command of it. And during the whole month you never saw Bergami in bed any where. I saw him sitting on the bed, but I never saw him lying down. Now at the helix you could not hear the conversation which passed unless it was a certain tone of voice. Speaking as you had now spoke, I could hear it. But when the Princess called you did not hear, and were obliged to lift up the tent. When it was blowing hard the working of every material on board prevents one from hearing, and I could not distinctly hear what was said. Earl Grey said that he was sorry to interrupt the cross-examination; but it was now considerably past the hour of adjournment, and it did not seem to be drawing to a close.—(Cries of "Adjourn, adjourn.")

The Solicitor General said, that it would be extremely difficult for him to say how long he might yet require, and he should not like to be hurried (Hear.)

The house adjourned at a quarter past four.

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At twenty-five minutes to eleven the Council were called in. The witness FLINN was placed at the bar, and the cross-examination resumed by the Solicitor General.

What time did you arrive at Athens (After consideration) On the 8th of May I believe. Did you touch either at Athens or at Milo in your homeward voyage. No. You mentioned yesterday a memorandum, or a copy of a memorandum, did you make it out in Sicily, or on the coast of Sicily. On the coast of Sicily. Now you told us you had the command of this polacre; who navigated it? I did, Sir. Who gave the orders to the sailors. Generally the Captain; but these orders came from me. What did you mean by saying you gave orders for the navigating of the vessel. By navigating, I mean such as directing the courses to steer by, and giving orders to the crew occasionally. Did you then give orders to the crew for navigating the vessel. Navigating includes manoeuvring the ship and the sails, as well as directing the courses. Did you give any directions as to the manoeuvring of the ship. Sometimes I did; sometimes I did not. Was it not in general done by the Captain. Sometimes he was not on deck, and I had occasion to do it myself. Was it only when he was not on deck that you had occasion to do it then. Sometimes I have done it also when he has been on deck. Was it not generally done by the Captain. As to the working of the ship, I think he generally did it more than myself. Do you usually write in Italian or in English. In Italian, sometimes. Do you usually write in Italian, or in English. In both. You must perceive, Mr. Flinn, that that is no answer to my question—Do you usually write in Italian or in English. In English generally, Sir. Was the account you held of the proceedings of the ship in Italian or in English. In Italian. Was it written by yourself. The accounts were written by the clerk. I mean the account to which you referred yesterday. That was written by the clerk. Was that clerk an Italian or an Englishman. I don't know what he was. Was he your servant. No. How long were you on board the same vessel with him. I don't know how long. In the polacre do you mean (Solicitor General—Yes)—Several months. With that clerk. Yes; but you know the Journal was kept by me. Was the account you referred to yesterday kept in Italian or in English. Kept in Italian the log was. Was it from the log you took those memorandums, those copies. Yes. By whom was it kept. By myself: it was a private memorandum of myself. Do you mean to swear that the log of the ship was a private memorandum of yourself. It was not exactly the log of the ship; it was a private memorandum of myself; I considered it a log for my own private purpose. Then being for your own private purpose, by whom was it kept. It was kept and directed by myself: some of the writing in it was my own; and some was the writing of the clerk. Was that the clerk to whom you have alluded just now. Yes. Was he on board the polacre. Yes. The whole voyage. Yes. I ask you whether he was an Italian or an Englishman. An Italian. Oh! you remember—Did you not tell me just now that in fact you did not know what he was? He was either an Italian or a Sicilian. Did you not, in answer to a question just now, tell me that you did not know what he was.

Mr. Denman.—That question was not put.—Order, order.

The Solicitor General.—It was Mr. Denman—if I am called to order by the House, I must address myself to your Lordships. Cries of "Read, read," proceeded from all parts of the House.

Mr. Gurney now read the following question and