AM. Departed this life Mr. Samuel Price 3rd lieutenant, who for his gentleness of personality, calm, vigilant and unwearied attention to the Service, was regretted by everyone. Every action of his life was guided by justice, honesty and honour; the years of a youth were made rich with knowledge equal to long experience; he did his duty to his country like an officer, and to all mankind as their friend; no wonder he lived beloved, and died lamented by everyone.

Collingwood, Log (June 6th 1773)

I told him I was determined no longer to bear with his silliness, that I was not a target for him to shoot at, and if he disapproved of me to explain why. Nothing would make me more happy than to correct any mistake. Men who act without meaning, or who are ashamed to confess their reasons, are always distressed when explanations are required of them. He had not a word to say and I had a brief spell from his bad temper, not that they ceased, but he kept out of my way.

Collingwood to his brother John (1777) Collingwood complaining to a governor of a West Indies Island

…it wou'd be a happy thing if she [Madam Teesdale] was to die; she is a withered branch of society and might be lopped off without injury to it, indeed if the whole family was at heaven's door, I think they would be well off.

Collingwood to his sister (Aug 1783

Lord Howe is less blamed for his letter than his Captain, who has ever been an artful, sneeking creature, whose fawning manner creeps into the confidence of whoever he attacks… The letter… may be considered as an attack on the whole fleet.

Collingwood to Sir Edward Blackett (June 1794)

I have got a nurseryman man here from Wrighton [Ryton]. It is a great pity that they should press* such a man because when he was young he went to sea for a short time. They have broken up his good business at home, distressed his family, and sent him here, where he is of little or no service. I feel sorry for him poor man.
Collingwood to John Erasmus Blackett (July 1804)
* press gang