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Victory — October the 21<sup>st</sup> 1805 then in sight of the  
Combined Fleets of France and Spain, distant  
about Ten Miles.

Whereas the Eminent Services of Emma Hamilton  
Widow of the Right Honorable Sir William  
Hamilton have been of the very greatest  
Service to our King and Country, and to  
my knowledge without ever receiving  
any reward from either our King or  
Country

First, that she obtained the King of  
Spains Letter in 1796 to his Brother the  
King of Naples acquainting him of his  
intentions to declare War against England,  
from which Letter the Ministry sent out  
Orders to the then Sir John Jervis to strike a  
Stroke if opportunity offered against either  
the Arsenals of Spain or her Fleets, that  
neither of them was done, is not the fault  
of Lady Hamilton the opportunity might  
have been offered.

Secondly, the British Fleet under my  
Command could never have returned the  
second time to Egypt had not Lady  
Hamilton's influence with the Queen of  
Naples caused Letters to be wrote to the  
Governor of Syracuse that he was to encourage  
the Fleet being supplied with every thing,  
should they put into any Port in Sicily —  
we put into Syracuse and received every  
Supply, went to Egypt and destroyed the  
French Fleet — Could I have rewarded those  
Services I would not now call upon my  
Country, but as that has not been in  
my power I leave Emma Lady Hamilton  
therefore a Legacy, to my King and Country  
that they will give her an ample provision  
to maintain Her Rank in Life.

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Lord Nelson in  
behalf of Lady  
Hamilton

I also leave to the beneficence of my  
Country my adopted Daughter Horatio Nelson  
Thompson and I desire she use in future the  
name of Nelson only

These are the only favours I ask of my  
King and Country at this moment when I  
am going to fight their Battle

May God bless my King and Country  
and all those I loved dear - My Relations it  
is needless to mention, they will of course be  
amply provided for.

Nelson & Brontë

Witness

Henry Blackwood

J. M. Hardy -

The above is a correct Copy from the  
Original taken this day Monday the 16 Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1805

Alm Davison