



This card is also marked HMS Princess Royal and probably refers to the Battery of that name on Willis's Plateau. It was one of a number of batteries on the Rock and it would have been important for all of them to quickly identify the signals coming through in case action was needed. This card would have been essential to the battery for that job. It is probable that they were drawn by a member of the Gibraltar Garrison and although amateur the quality of draughtsmanship is high. This has elevated them from their original purely functional use to a decorative item that would be of interest to both vexillologists and those connected to Gibraltar. Circa 1848.