

their Majestys Service but after the two Browns Ships was out at Sea, and Coll Coursey and Cap^t Hinson Passengers in the said Perry Browns Ship, they made many Visits, sometimes on Board one Ship and the other, and Coursey Hinson, Lillingston, Lingan with M^r Perry Brown and some others in the said ship did all agree and resolve to make a Private Search in the said ship to find out the said Packet of Letters and if they could by any ways find them out, was all agreed to break them open, and see the Contents of what was in them, but could not tell whither the said Letters was found or not, no otherwise then that he did hear the said Ricand say that such a Packet of Letters had been taken out of his chest

Nicholas Greenberry
James Sanders
William Hopkins

The said Benjamin Ricand being called in and examined saith that he did receive a large Letter at Plymouth, directed to the Government here, which he promised to deliver at his arrivall here to M^r Andrew Abington, but when he was about half Seas over he lost it, it was taken out of his chest, that two days before he mist it, one Edward Felks desired to see the Superscription which he shewed him and put the Letter up again but never saw it after

Edward Felks called and examined whither he knows any thing of the said Letter which he desired to see and it was shewed him but two days before it was lost acknowledges that he did see the said Letter, but knows not what afterwards became of it—

Information being giving against Major Edward Dorsey for severall mutinous and seditious speeches by him spoken on Board Captⁿ W^m Hills Ship in presence of M^r Thomas Cornwall and several others then on board, the said Cornwall is called in and desired to acquaint the Board with what then passed between the said Dorsey and the said Captain Hill in relation to the Premises, he saith that severall high words passed between them which moved him the said Cornwall to retort something by way of reprimand to the said Dorsey but what the words positively were he cannot truly call to mind

was also read some Deposition of Thomas Dodd, Henry Bird and Francis Searson Chyrurgeon concerning the said words—all referred to further consideration