

[J. Hollingsworth to Council.]

Original.

Gentlemen.

The vessel M<sup>r</sup> Dugan mentions in this letter I know well and do think she would answer your purpose either to carry bread or bring salt. She is a good vessel and I think a fast sailer. I loaded her once when she had a passage of about 20 days from here to Bristol in England and I do believe what M<sup>r</sup> Dugan sets forth in this letter is matter of fact. There is not another vessel in this place will suit you as well as this. Indeed I believe there is not another you can have here at any rate.

Gent your mo: obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Jesse Hollingsworth.

N. B. As to the value of the vessel leave that to you & M<sup>r</sup> Dugan, but she is valuable.

[Johnson to Council.]

Original.

Phila 20<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> 1776.

Gent. I inclose you a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Harrison which came under cover together with a Bill of Lading for 74 casks of Gunpowder each 50 w<sup>t</sup> in the Nancy Cap<sup>t</sup> Cirvin to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Willing and Morris. We have ordered the powder into M<sup>r</sup> Hollingsworth's Care and requested him to forward it to you. The Bill of Lading is for the Delivery of the Goods on Paym<sup>t</sup> of 46. 5— in Dollars at 7/6 but the Owner of the vessel alledges an agreement with M<sup>r</sup> Harrison that the customary freight should be paid. nothing of the kind is mentioned in M<sup>r</sup> Harrison's letter to Willing & Morris. Will you be pleased to write us whether M<sup>r</sup> Harrison has advised you of it and what you would have done. The claim is 10 p<sup>r</sup> ct on the Powder valued at 5/ p. lb which comes to just double the money mentioned in the Bill of Lading

I am Gent very respectfully  
Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Th Johnson Jr.

[Maryland Deputies to Council.]

Original.

Gent.

Phila 20<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> 1776, Fryday.

Capt Watkins waits on you by our advice with a Return of his company by which it appears he has now here only thirty seven effective privates and indeed several of that number appear to us not really effective. The men complained of not being furnished with Blankets and Cloathing according to the Engagem<sup>ts</sup> made with them, and from this ground as Cap<sup>t</sup> Watkins alledges the present discontent of the men originated. We have no certainty of getting the cloathing though our