Musketts 90 Tons burthen navigated by 50 Men belonging to C. B. William Patterson, and also to James Handy Com^r of the Sloop Abingdon mounting 8 Carriage Guns, 4 Swivels and 16 small Arms, 50 Tons burthen navigated by 14 Men and belonging to Sam¹ and Robert Purviance &C°

[Council to J. Thomas.]

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In Council 14th Septr 1778.

Sir.

The Terms on which you proposed to go in the Defence to France appearing to us very high, we made what Enquiry we had an Opportunity into the Terms given by the Merchants for the like Voyage, and propose, if agreeable to you, to allow thirty Pounds a Month to be paid here, the Wages to be paid up to the Time of sailing from hence and considered as due to your Arrival in France. On the Event of your arriving there, fifty Pounds Currency to be paid here for Cabbin Stores from hence, the Freight of six Hogsheads of Tobacco, sixty Pounds Sterling to be paid in France and half a Crown Sterling a Day whilst in a foreign Port, the same Quantity of Freight in as out, ten Pounds Sterling to be paid in France for Cabbin Stores there and one Half the Passage Money, if any Cabbin Passengers, this to be full of all Wages, Privileges and Perquisites whatever, and is considerably better than any Allowance we hear of and 30 p Ct better than many, equal to the Business, have accepted. If you accept, we shall be glad of having your Assistance as soon as may be, and if our Offer should not be agreeable to you, we wish your Answer, that we may endeavour to get a Captain without Loss of Time.

We are &ca

Capt James Thomas.

Tuesday 15th September 1778

C. B.

Present as on yesterday. Edw^d Lloyd Esq^r Attended.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Jacques Bagues eleven Pounds, three shillings and four Pence, per Acct passed by the A G¹

That the said Treasurer pay to John Gibson twenty one Pounds per Account passed by the Aud. Gen¹

That the Comy of Stores deliver to Lieut Jacques Bagues one pair of Shoes.