

we shall endeavour to procure Anchors and cables as soon as possible. Mr. Luy has been spoken to about Cordage and we expect S. Stewart has spoke about anchors we shall see him in a day or two. - And writes to you further on the subject. The Gentlemen you have recommended had better come down and we will converse with them on the subject of their appointment. - The Gondolas had better remain on the stocks a short time longer until we can get Cordage Cables, Rigging &c.

To Andrew Buchanan Esquire

{ We are Sir with respects
yours most o. b. Ser. &c.
December 10th 1776

Sir We have yours of 8th & for your satisfaction inclose you some some copies of resolves relative to the naval Department. Much may depend upon your getting away soon & we are glad to find that you will be ready before Christmas. The Bounty given me hope will be an inducement to you men & that you will shortly be enabled to keep them together. We shall be glad to see you as you propose, when we can converse further on matters in general in the meantime are &c.

Capt. G. Cooke.

We are Sir &c

Sir Mr. Winters has been with us and is desirous of having twenty five of the Barrels that were delivered to you it would oblige you to oblige us if you would let him have them.

Robert Reid Esquire

{ Dec 10th 1776 }

We are, Sir, yours &c

December 10th 1776

Sir, We have received your favour of the ninth, & send you by Mr. Chase we have considered, & directed her to get some persons properly qualified and of a good reputation to value the damages done to her Houses. - we beg you will see that they be such as may be depended upon and are

With respect yours Sir &c

Mr. Joseph Hollingsworth Esquire.

Sir, We received yours of the 9th instant and are sorry we have it not in our power to supply the people with that necessary article Salt, but are in hopes that that may supply shortly themselves are daily arriving at Baltimore with that article.

We are offered Beef upon much more reasonable terms than 5d. per pound and therefore we would not have you contract for any further quantity unless you can purchase at thirty Shillings per Hundred

As we are not acquainted with the people of your town and shall be obliged if you will procure some proper person provided to receive the arms and accoutrements from the soldiers of the flying camp, any reasonable charges for his trouble shall be paid. We have sent you by Mr. Winters that sum of three hundred pounds which with the two hundred and fifty sent you before is to be laid out in the purchase