

furnished the Ship Defence are not round, that you
will be particularly attentive to the casting of them
and receive none but what are truly formed and fit for
Service, — We have not yet been wrote to by Mr. Hughes
for a Proof. Master to try the Cannon he agreed with the
last Convention to furnish for the Use of this Province,
or had any satisfactory Information, in what Forward-
ness they are, however as we are anxious to expedite this
Business & presume Mr. Hughes must have run some
of them by this Time; we have appointed Captain
Bullford to prove them, and have wrote him upon
the Subject; and from a Wish to have every Thing in
Readiness against the Gun are brought down, we desire
you will immediately contract for fit and proper Carri-
ages for them to be supplied as expeditiously as they
can.

We are &c

22^d Feby 1776

N^o. 23. To the Committee of Observation, (where only fifty
Men are stationed).

Gent^l We perceive by the Proceedings of

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