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in a Request of France, and probably would accept the
Command of our ship, and as we were well satisfied of your
Zeal, activity, and prudence, we moved, and obtained
liberty from the Conventions to propose it to you, to take
the command of the Defence. — you will please to favour
us with your answer immediately, and signify to us whether
you will accept it — we wish you to receive the
Commission, and leave it to yourself to determine,
if it will not be better to accept the command,
which probably will have continued, than if
the Battalion, which will be disbanded the first of
December.

We are &c.

6th July 1756.

No. 62. To Capt. Remy Beall.

Sir, As Capt. Thomas is directed by the Honorable
Conventions to march immediately with his Company
to the Northward, and as it is proper his men should
be as completely armed as possible, we have ordered that
you furnish him with such of the Guns with Bayo-
nets belonging to your Company, as may be
Supt.