

with them on the subject of their appointment. — The General has
had better remain on the stocks a short time longer, until
we can get Cadage for cables, &c. &c.

December 10th 1776

We are &c

No 50.

Capt. G. Cooke

Sir, We have yours of 8th and for your satisfaction inclose
you some Copies of Resolves relative to the Naval Department.
Much may depend upon your getting away soon, and we are glad to
find that you will be ready before Christmas. — The Bounty given
no hope, will be an inducement to your men, and that you will
thoroly 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.

We are &c

Dec: 10th 1776

Mr. R. P. Reid

No 51.

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

We are &c

Dec: 10th 1776

Mr. Jesse Hittingsworth

No 52.

Sir We have received your favour, and send you by Mr. Spear,
one thousand Pounds, as you desire. — Mr. Tripolet's case we have
considered, and directed her to get some Persons properly qualified,

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