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Sir.

I Received your favour of the 18th Ult. in answer to which. I would Inform you that I am not authorized to Appoint any Depy to the Eastward of this place, as there is so few Prisoners sent to Portsmouth. I think the Goal Keepers can Receive them & Forward them immediatley to one, which will save the Expence of a Commissary. I have wrote to Cap^t. Woodward, & Desired him to Deliver, what Prisoners he may have at present, to the Cartet Ponobscott which is bound to Ponobscott, as we are in Debt to them for Prisoners, & it will save the Expence of Sending them to this place

I am with respect your
very hum^{ble} Serv^t.

Jⁿ. Phillips

D. C. G. of Prisoners

M. Weare Esq^r

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