

Sir

5 49 Port Washington Aug. 12th 1779

I beg leave to acquaint you that but thirty men as yet, from the Regiments of Militia, have join'd the matross Company; but 'tis likely that the remainder order'd, will join soon - it will be necessary that 2 Subalterns, 1 Serj^t, 3 Corporals, 2 Drum^s, & 1 fifer, be appointed to compleat the Company, especially as we have several posts to occupy, which is humbly submitted, I am

Present State of the matross Comp^y.

Capt^t, Lieut^t, Serj^t, Corp^s, priv^s.

engag^d to 5th Jan^y, next. 1 - 1 - 2 - - - 19

Invalids belonging to the Continental Army - - - - - 1 - 1 - 4

Including Josiah Brooks a Deserter - - - - -

Join^d from the militia - - - - - 30

Total. 1 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 53

Sir with the greatest Respect, your most

Obed^t Humble Serv^t,
Theop^l Dame Col^o

N. B. Nathaniel Herriman, aged 70, sent from Plaistow, was Discharg'd this Day, as being incapable of doing military Duty, as per the Surgeons Certificate. N. Herriman is near 70 years of age & very infirm.

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To The Hon^{ble} Meshech Weare Esq^r, President

Letter from Col. Joseph's Son
relating the Makers Company
Aug. 12, 1779.