

I was there - In soliciting your attention to
this report, I need only request you to place
yourself in my situation for a moment,
and suppose you were off the Cape in the Adag
expecting a chase, and was to order the Comdr
officer of my schooner in my absence to
keep me station'd to look out for you, so as to be
ready to assist you; would you not be de-
mortified to receive from him such
conduct as I received from your officer?

Lieut. Read has assumed an independent
of rank, that I am induced for the good
of the service to correct if possible - I have
every reason to believe he is a valuable officer
& did not expect to go down again I should like
to see the report & request some explanation
through the Secretary -

He may be correct, But as I differ
him I expect to fall in with him again
shortly; I am reluctantly compelled to let
it rest by the proper authority rather than
be under the necessity of forcing him
compliance, as I most undoubtedly should
have done had the Bureau made any other
movement while of the Brig, I have
not got sight of Lieut. Read for