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important a subject. - I shall divide it under three heads. - The Ships, Officers and Men, and Discipline. - The American Ships of War are not only much larger than those of His Majesty of the same Class, but the materials contains more cubic Feet and Inches; hence they are less liable to Injury from Shot and are impenetrable to Grape. - When therefore Ships of the same Class come in Contact, the Americans have the advantage. - In sailing, if there is any difference it is in favour of the American Ships. - The Commission Officers in the American Navy are native-Citizens, they are brave and aspiring - able Seamen and manoeuvre a few Ships admirably. - With respect to the Warrant and petty officers & men

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