will appear Proper Prove Shipley the of the Govt. & be governed in your future movements by these directions.

This is a very brief letter of directions for a voyage of such length & importance but I feel perfectly sure, that I may safely rely on your good judgment for the careful execution.

As to the general management of the Ship & crew I have nothing to say, as I have the fullest confidence in the expertness of this voyage - that at sea all will go well & I trust you will on no account permit any of the crew to visit the Shore in the Colonies. Nor either of the officers except on business of the Ship, that you cannot possibly attend to. There will therefore be no necessity for further advances to the crew. I bear in mind, that the officers are nearly paid to this date & that their families have orders from on for half their monthly wages.

The Boy George McNeill remains on board as an apprentice, & is to be treated - that being the request of his brother Squadron Dr McNeill. He is well supplied with good warm clothing & every requisite for the voyage. While his health continues good, no fear need be shown him in way of duty or fare, over the other men; but if the weather should become severe he may not likely be able to stand it like natives of a temperate climate, & will need some allowance thereby in clothing. Be particular about your health bills & certificates of property, that no detention may be caused thereby.

You have on board a letter press & Book.

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