

"For Shaw & Chisholme

1 doz brass Tea Chest Locks & Escutions
1 doz brass Bottle Case do
3 doz plain Drawer handles
3 doz Ornament do
6 Gro very Small window Curtain rings
1 Gro Small Box pullies
6 Setts Baggamon men Inch & 1/2 diamiter
1 doz pr Iron Hooks & Eyes for Joining Tables
3 doz Box Escutions.
3 doz Cupboard do
2 doz very Small Escution Thread
2 doz large do
2 doz larger do
4 doz Spanish Skins for Chair bottoms
6 pr Clock Spring ea 10 Inches long 19
2 Setts brass quadrants & Ketches for Desk Drawers"

In his letter of resignation as Undertaker of the State House, December 1779, Wallace admits that the building was not finished.²⁰ He points out especially the roof which was damaged and which had permitted the rains of several winters to leak into the upper rooms. The Legislature authorized the Intendant, Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, to find other workmen,²¹ but he asked other^s to examine the Stadt House to determine what there was still remaining to be done.²² He chose for this purpose Edward Vidler²³ and Robert Key,²⁴ who appear in the Auditor General's Journal B, as having received from the State, Vidler L7. and Key L 12:16:8 specie "for reviewing the State House."²⁵

Jenifer reported on his success to the Legislature in the November Session, 1784, as follows:

"The intendant having advertised for several months in the papers for an architect to undertake the repair of the dome of the stadt-house, and meeting with no person that would undertake it for the sum appropriated by the general assembly for that purpose, he caused a survey to be made of the timbers on which the dome rests, when they were found to be so much decayed, that it would, in his opinion, as well as of others, be money thrown away to have it laid out for that purpose. It was originally constructed contrary to all rules of architecture, it ought to have been built double instead of single, and a stair-case between the two domes, leading up to the lanthorn. The water should have been carried off by the eves, instead of being drawn to the center of the building, to two small conductors, which are liable to be choaked by ice, and overflowed by heavy rains. That it was next to impossible, under the present construction, that it could have been made right. The dome may stand six or seven years without