

Richard
Reeve
to
Grey
(aft. Sn)
Cooper
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Sir

His Excellency Genl. Gage, Governour of this Province, having on the 6th Inst. communicated to the Com^{rs} a Copy of His Maj^{ty}s Orders in Council of the 19th Oct^r last, prohibiting the exportation of military Stores from Great Britain, requesting that notice thereof might be given to the several Officers acting under this board — the Com^{rs} lost no time in issuing the necessary Orders to the Officers in the different ports under their management, and there being reason to apprehend that such Articles may be attempted to be introduced from Holland and other foreign parts, the Commissioners thought it necessary at the same time to instruct the Officers to be particularly watchful over all Vessels that may be suspected to arrive from such places, and to take the most effectual methods for seizing and securing all Gunpowder Arms or any sort of Ammunition that may be found on board, and having lately received answers to their Letters from the Ports of Piscataqua and Rhode Island, I am directed to enclose to you copies thereof, with the news paper mentioned in the Rhode Island Letter for the Information of the Lords Com^{rs} of His Maj^{ty}s Treasury. I am, Sir

Rich^d Reeve

Custom House Boston
20th Dec^r 1774

Grey Cooper Esq^r

Boston 20th Dec^r 1774

Dear Mr. Revere. I enclose with
enclosures about the
importation of military
Stores from Mr. Dickinson

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W. D.