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Our whole force at home
at present in commission
consists of 55 Line of
& 46 frigates, including
Sloops, cutters, and 8
armed ships of 20 guns.
of these, 40 of the
Line may be considered
as applicable to immediate
service: the other 15 are
getting forward, and
if men can be had
(upon which the whole
depends) may allso soon
be ready.

There are besides 8 ships
under orders to be got
ready for receiving men,
& several others in
succepsion which may
be in proper forwardness
to be commissioned before
men will be procured
for them. 2 fireships
& 2 Bomb vessels are
allso under the same
orders.

State of our present
Naval force
March 15th 1778

The 8 ships alluded to
above are

	guns
The Britannia	100
Royal George	100
Duke	90
Namur	90
Suffolk	74
Defence	74
Superb	74
Lyon	64

There are in foreign
parts in commission
9 Line of battle ships.