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services to the country during the present campaign if he would send soldiers in exchange for us, is flatly denied — What is to be done? — are we to lie here & share the fate of our unhappy brothers who are dying daily — NO — unless you relieve us immediately we shall be under the necessity of leaving our Country in preservation of our own lives —

Mr Cooper

Mr Safford

Wm Chad

W. Leiston

Geo Wanton

Mr Bray

} in behalf of the
prisoners —

Admiral Digby having given leave to thirteen persons to go ~~home~~ upon parole — They got leave before their departure to go on board of Prison Ship to know the true state of living allowed to the prisoners & they certified under ^{their} hands that they inspected the Beef pork flour bread oatmeal ~~mass~~ butter liquor

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& every other species of provisions issued — I found them all good — & the prisoners all declared they had no complaint to make but the want of clothes & a speedy exchange — They also inspected the ^{& accommodations} allowance for the sick — ^{whom} they found in wholesome clean ships each man allowed a candle bed blanket sheets of good russia linnen the best of fresh provisions vegetables wine rice barley &c that they were constantly & carefully attended by Physicians — & had every attention paid them — that Humanity could dictate — This was signed by Sir of 413. who had been appointed by the others as a committee to inspect into these matters — & were allowed by the British Commissary to do so — — I have collected these facts by way of mem^o for it was often in the times of ^{my} sundry imprisonments among the Rebels thrown in my face how much better