

Mr. Cooper

Office of Ordnance  
21<sup>st</sup> January 1797

For the Ships the Strombolo, Looe  
and Medway Prize being ordered to be  
refitted at Portsmouth for Chamel  
Service - You are to take out their  
Gunn & Gunner's Stores during the  
coming thereof, and send up their  
Remains as usual -  
You are forthwith to send us an acct of  
what Bomb vessels are at Portsmouth -  
what Mortars you have belonging to them  
or others, and the number of Beds for  
them with their condition - and a State  
of Cohorn mortars belonging to Ships or  
Spars - We are

Your affectionate Friends  
Mansour  
Sabage

January 21<sup>st</sup> 1797  
Strombolo } to refit for  
Looe } Chamel Service  
Medway Prize } Gunner's Stores  
to be taken out  
to be sent up  
to the Office of Ordnance  
at Portsmouth

For Mr. Mansour  
Keeper of the Ordnance  
at Portsmouth

For Mr. Mansour

January y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1709/10

[Strombolo](#)  
[Looe](#)  
[Medway Prize](#) } To refitt for y<sup>e</sup>  
Channel  
Remaine to be taken  
What Bomb vessels  
What mortars y<sup>e</sup> condition of Bedds  
The State of Cohorn mortars  
Required, to be sent

Date stamped JA/21

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For her Maj<sup>ties</sup> Service

For M<sup>r</sup> John Hooper  
Storekeeper of the Ordnance  
att Portsmouth.

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and [Medway Prize](#) being ordered to be  
refitted at Portsmouth for Channel  
Service – you are to take out their  
Guns & Gunner’s stores during the  
doing thereof and send up their  
remains as usual.

You are to forthwith to send us an acco<sup>t</sup> of  
what Bomb Vessells are at Portsmouth-  
what Mortars you have belonging to them  
or others, and the number of Bedds for  
them with their condition – and a state  
of [Cohorn Mortars](#) belonging to Shippes or  
Spare.

We are  
Your affectionate friends

*[C Musgrave](#)*  
*[Ja Craggs](#)*

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a lightweight mortar originally  
designed by Dutch military  
engineer Menno van Coehorn.