

Boston 28<sup>th</sup> October 1817  
No. 35 — " — "

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Very sincerely

Wm Bainbridge

Geo Harrison Esq.

Navy Agent Philadelphia

Letter from William Bainbridge to Navy Agent George Harrison, regarding Bainbridge's medal for the victory over HMS Java, Oct. 31, 1817.

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