

Christopher Gore to James Maury, 5 September 1802

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Mr Gore to Mr Maury

London <by> Cumberland Place

5th Septr 1802

Dear Sir

Mr King having left the affairs of his mission in my charge during his absence, I take the liberty of answering your letter to him, under date the <8>th instant.

Suits for wages are not sustained in the Admiralty Court unless the minister of this country to which the ship belongs gives his consent. For reasons the importance of which your mind will readily conceive, Mr King has been averse to granting his consent, unless under very strong circumstances to justify the measure. It has generally been done through the Consul; and in consequence of his representations, which, of course, was the course of Mr <Slade>'s mistake. If you cannot prevail on the parties to settle the question of wages, and, in your opinion, the cause is of such a nature as to justify a resort to this remedy in a foreign country, relying on your prudence and discretion, and knowledge of all the circumstances attending the demand, and refusal, I will give my consent to the issuing the process.

I am with much esteem,

Your friend & ob: Svt

C Gore.

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