

Thomas Dikes to Samuel Marsden

Hull Nov 2 1808

My dear Sir/

I do not choose to pay Mr Hall's debts without first obtaining your approbation of the sum specified. He seems a good man & I learn from a very able judge that he has made great proficiency in the art of Ship building. Mr Barnes, I am persuaded, has taken great pains with him.

Mr Hall's Bills are as follow

To Mr Barnes for instruction in the art Of Ship building	26. 5
Carr ^e of box 18/4 Cooper for bl'k paint 13/2	1. 11. 4
Northern for an ivory seal & drawing pen	17 -
Turner for drawing Instruments	5. 16. 8
Wright & Bowden, wood for making mould	1. 13. 2
Clark & Lincoln for sawing the wood	12. 6
Fra ^s Brunton for making the moulds	1. 6
M ^{rs} Carter for Board & Lodging	14. 17
For intend Journey to Carlisle & return	12. 12
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	£ 65.10.8
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I have examined the bills I believe them very right & proper. If you give me commission to draw upon you for £65.10.8 I will advance the whole sum: in the mean time, I will let Hall have 20 or 30 Guineas on acc^t. — He has rec^{vd} £10.10.0 per Mr Scott which he has spent in journey to Leeds, in several journies to Paul with Mr Barnes to examine the Ship of the Line which is now constructing there &c &c.

Yours very truly

Tho^s Dikes