



In Mermaid
 66 Romney
 77 Launceston
 88 Bonetta

On Friday Sept. 30th 1768. the Ships of War, armed Schooners, Transports, &c. came up the Harbour and Anchored round the Town; their Cannon loaded & Long Wharf
 was sprung on their cables, as for a regular Siege. At noon, on Saturday October the 1st. the fourteenth & twentieth Regiments, a detachment from the 39th Regt.
 and Train of Artillery, with two pieces of Cannon, landed on the Long Wharf; they formed and marched with infantry Parade, Drums beating, Pipes
 playing, and Colours flying, up KING STREET. Each Soldier having received 16 rounds of Powder and Ball.

To the Earl of
 Hillsborough His
 Majesty's Secy of State for
 America this View
 is the only well taken
 Expedition, formed for
 suppressing & detest
 ally of Brit Am
 & chastising & implac
 of AMERICA whom the
 world

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Illustration of British ships and soldiers arriving in Boston Harbor – 1768



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Illustration (1932) of the reading of the Declaration of Independence from the East Balcony of the Old State House, Boston, Massachusetts – July 18, 1776