

Feet long by twenty broad, the same Height between Decks, with Row-Ports, with counter Bottoms to make the Bottom flat, and a straight upright Skie, especially from the light Water Mark; the Ends fore and aft somewhat like the Society's Herring Busses, and to be rigg'd with a light Mast, something after their Manner, or any other that shall be judg'd most convenient to put in or take out at pleasure: Each of these Vessels ought to have six square Openings on each Side, nearly at equal Distances, a very little above the light Water Mark, and six more like Openings close below the upper Deck Beams, with Trunks to the low Openings, made tight to run from Side to Side, and firmly secured, so as to be fit to receive strong Beams of Timber that shall run thro' the two or three Vessels to fasten them securely together, for the Use and Purposes hereafter mentioned.

In order to put these Vessels together, in the first Place, if three are to be put together, let the middle one receive two of the aforesaid Beams, through the forward and the aft Openings, and next let the other two Vessels receive the Ends of the Beams, each in at their Sides; these two alone will be sufficient to keep the three Vessels in equal Motion, and to facilitate the Introduction of the rest of the Beams; after they are all fix'd right in their Places, unrigg and take out the Masts, Sails, &c. of the two outside Vessels, leaving the middle one rigged, that some Sail may be used if Wind offers. Fasten them altogether with Chains across their Bottoms fixed for that Purpose; thus they will be able to carry the heaviest Cannon on their upper Decks, eight or ten Feet high above the Water; and in case the Water be quite smooth where the Vessels are to be employed, a higher commanding Battery may be raised above the