


So, a little more detail is emerging. Perhaps we can find out the name of Captain John Thurber's ship and its home port. There or in old Charles Town customs records there may be manifests or notes in the captain's ship log naming all those to whom he gave rice. It will be great fun to see how much source data we can find on the subject.

I am enclosing the latest iteration of the chronology. I hope you never tire of criticizing them for me. In this version, I have tried to incorporate all your comments and suggestions and indicate my sources. You may know of many more sources on the various items in the chronology and I will be very grateful for any hints and kinks you may know for rounding out the chronology so that it meets a fairly critical completeness check before I plunge into to researching and writing up each item.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'L' followed by a smaller, less distinct character, possibly 'S' or 'J'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large loop at the beginning.