Mr Cook's vouchers amounting to £12.16.0 for the money he paid in hiring men well acquainted with the coast of Newfoundland, to point out to him the hidden dangers therein, to be transmitted to the Navy Board with orders to repay it, also vouchers for the repairing of Mathematical Instruments and stationary ware for the ensuing summer, amounting to £28.'1—Adm 3/76.

Twenty cork jackets to be purchased and sent on board the Endeavour Bark.

The Council of the Royal Society having represented to the Board that they have appointed Mr Chas. Green, in conjunction with Lieut. Cook, to be their observers of the passage of Venus, and requested that the said Mr Green, together with Joseph Banks esq., a Fellow of that Society, be received with their servants and baggage on board the said Bark; resolved that orders be given accordingly and that they be victualled as her Company, on a supernumerary List, during their continuance on board.—Adm 3/76.

- 21 July. Admiralty to Navy Board. Lieut. James Cook is to be repaid £48. 10s. od. for mathematical instruments and stationery wares purchased by him, taking care the former are returned into His Majesty's stores when done with.—ADM/A/2609; Adm 2/238; Index 10704/17.
- 5 April. Admiralty Minutes. 'Letter from Navy Board read; in accordance with order of 21st past they have purchased a cat-built vessel for conveying to the Southward the persons intended to be sent thither to observe the Transit of Venus over the Sun's Disk; resolved that they be directed to cause her to be sheathed, filled and fitted for that service, to be registered on the List of the Navy as a Bark by the name of the Endeavour.

²⁰ July. Admiralty Minutes. 'Lieut Cook, who is to be employed in the Endeavour Bark, on a particular Service, having laid before the Lords a bill for the purchase of instruments, and stationary amounting to £48.10.0., the same to be sent to the Navy Board with directions to pay it. Instruments to be returned into Store when the Vessel returns from her Voyage.