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Dear Mr McCarthy

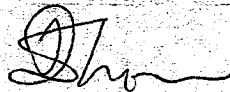
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Thank you for your letter of the 11th March. I have an MA, not a Doctrate, incidentally, and my name does not end in "S".

I'm afraid we cannot help you much as the only 18th century vessel built on Lake Ontario of which we hold a plan is the snow Ontario - though we hold several plans of ships built on Lake Champlain. For further details on several of these see Howard I. Chapelle's excellent "History of the American Sailing Navy" which makes very full use of the resources of our collections and includes many redrawn examples of our plans. I have taken the liberty of ordering you a copy of the Ontario's plan as I expect you will want it. You will receive a bill about the same time as you get the plan (orders have to be copied by HM Stationery Office and take about 2 months to complete exclusive of time taken on postage - please let me know immediately if you are prepared to pay extra for airmail). I cannot give you the cost but would be very surprised if it cost much more than £1.50. (including postage).

I would be very interested to hear more about what you have found - though I doubt with only the bottom below the ballast to go on you will be unable to make more than a very general identification on the basis of comparing dimensions. I myself am a diver, and also a member of the Board of Nautical Archaeology, which is why I'm so interested.

Yours sincerely



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