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[Meroney to Council.]

Gentlemen.

I have exerted myself endeavouring to furnish my Company with Guns and Blanketts but find it impractable without money. I applied to M^r Hanson and could receive but seventy pounds, insufficient to furnish one Tenth. M^r Garah Harding the Bearer is a Gentleman may be trusted with any sum. Three hundred and fifty pounds is the sum I wish to receive by the Bearer.

Fredk Town July 26th 1776

I am Gent with respect
Your obed^t Serv^t
Philip Meroney

Gentlemen. I am of oppinion that a less sum than is mentioned in the above letter will not furnish the above Company with arms and blankets.

C. Beatty.

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[Price to Council.]

Upper Camp Prince Georges 26th July 1776.

Gentlemen. If you expect frequent intelligence from this place you must send down for it, it being impossible to get horses here. I have been under the necessity of sending home all the Militia except fifty and it was with much difficulty I could keep them, indeed their Distress seems to be very great for most of them are poor people whose Crops are suffering and many have not any dependence but their Labor. I received an express from General Lewis last night. The following is a copy of my answer to him which will give you as true a state of matters here as possible I found it absolutely necessary to keep the Waggon and horses brought from Annapolis not knowing what hour it might be necessary to move the Cannon and also to draw them back for it will not be possible to get any here. However if you think it best and will send me directions I shall act accordingly.

I am Gen^t
Your very Humble Serv^t
Tho^s Price

Copy of my answer to Gen^l Lewis Letter on the other side.

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[Price to Lewis.]

St. George's Camp July 26th 1776.

Sir. The enemy comes on St. George's Island in the day time to get water and wood and in the evening retire on board their ships: they have no manner of Fortification on the Island. The Fleet lays from the North East side of St Georges