

exchange with you for the shot Pound for Pound. If you accept our proposal we will send you the Lead, and take away the shot from Annapolis, am

Gent<sup>n</sup> Your ob<sup>t</sup> Servants  
Jon<sup>n</sup> Hudson  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Jones.

C. S. C.

[Maj. Gist to Council.]

Convoy before the White Plains 2 Nov. 1776.

Gentlemen.

Collo<sup>t</sup> Smallwood being wounded in the action of 28<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> the command since has devolved upon myself. The duty I owe your respectable body calls upon me to give you an account of the killed & wounded, not doubting but Coll<sup>ol</sup> Smallwood has before this forwarded you a circumstantial account, as he is only slightly wounded, and has more time at present than I can possibly spare.

Since the skirmish the Enemy have been exceedingly busy in erecting a Breast work on the Eminence they took from us. Yesterday morning having got prepared to open it upon us, the General ordered us to abandon our front lines, which in our present situation was rendered useless to us.

The Enemy immediately took possession of them, and Judging that we were making a precipitate retreat, formed the line, and advanced upon us with a large column to bring on the attack, the artillery on each side keeping up a smart fire, and they soon found their situation disagreeable, and as if ashamed of the attempt they sneakingly skulked behind a wood, and retired unseen to the lines. In much haste,

I am Gentlemen respectfully  
y<sup>r</sup> very ob<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup> M. Gist.

A list of the killed and wounded the 28<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>

Captains Scott	}	5 killed
- - Brano		
Sergeants Westbey		
- - Belt		
- - Hudson	}	3 wounded
Coll <sup>o</sup> Smallwood		
Lieut <sup>s</sup> Waters		
- - Goldsmith	}	38 private killed & wounded
		46

Including the Independent companies, our effective men are now reduced to 298, and are badly of for Cloathes, having lost the principal part of their baggage.