

Congress may have them with the Carriages, for the Price c. c. such would sell for at Baltimore, of which, we presume, you may be easily ascertained. We have no other four Pounders that we can spare with any Convenience. We had some Guns made at Dorsey's Works for fours, but they carry a Shot of 5^{lb} and upwards. Perhaps we could make out your Number with them, if we can, the Congress may have four of them, but, 'tis likely they are too heavy for your Purpose.

The Hon^{ble} Francis Lewis.

We are Sir &^{ca}

[Council to J. Calhoun.]

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In Council Annapolis 11th Feb^{ry} 1778.

Sir.

Sterling and Moore have been examined before us and we have caused their Depositions to be taken. The Accounts we have from our Troops, makes us very anxious to forward what Cloathing we can, to them, we have packed up what we have here, though it will be but a small Relief, and shall send it off in a Boat, we expect, Tomorrow. Pray get what you have ready also packed up, the Boat is to call on you. Col^o Smith writes that he shall take the Leather Breeches instead of the Cloth ordered for Breeches, but we should not have given him an Order for them, had he mentioned them, we cannot furnish all the Troops with Leather Breeches and, so far as they will go, we design them for the Sergeants and request they may be packed up and sent for that Purpose. The Matrosses were furnished with Leather Breeches, but it was to prevent their waiting for others. Pray get all the Cloaths made up as quick as possible. Col^o Smith writes, that a great Many may be very soon done there. Let us know, before your Stock is made up, the Price, and whether done to your Satisfaction, as we may employ the same People whilst we have any to make.

We are Sir &^{ca}

M^r James Calhoun.

[Council to S. Smith.]

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In Council Annapolis 11th Feb^{ry} 1778.

Sir.

No Misunderstanding on our Part occasioned the Order to deliver you Cloth to be made into Breeches as well as Coats. You urged the Expedition with which you could have the Cloaths made up and that by that Means, the Cloathing for the whole, would be the sooner done. We knew there were some Leather Breeches but there are not enough for all the