

to equip two companies that has been sent out of it, and that c. s. c. if we were expected to march, to send us proper arms, be assured what are left would be madness in us to trust our lives with.

Your last letter dated January the 9th came to hand the 22nd at night, the Post first carrying it to Philadelphia, charges on it 5/. I am there requested to act in conformity to what has or may be required by Congress. As their requisition is to the Committee am at a loss how to act, until further orders, which will be obeyed by

Gentlemen,

Your most obed^t Humb^l Servant,
Charles Rumsey

The Hon^{ble} Council of
Safety, Annapolis

[Remonstrance of men of Smith's Company.]

Whetstone Point 24th Jan^y 1777

Captⁿ Nath^l Smith: Sir. As we would scorn to be concerned in any mutiny or broils that may arise in your Company we take the liberty of writing a few lines to your Honour and hopes your Honour will not refuse our Humble request as we have not misbehaved since our first enlistment which was but for one year and is now at the expiration and shall rely on your honour that you will let us have a proper discharge before we enlist a second time as we are determined to enlist again and defend the libertys of the country as far as lies in our power if we receive our rations thats due to us, our wages raised and the bounty that is now given in other Companies but not without a proper discharge first, if it is not agreeable to your Honour to do us Justice, and let us have our proper discharge we shall be under the disagreeable necessity to make our humble address to the Honorable Continental Cotgress. We are Hon^d Sir, Your Honours

As witness our hands. Most obed^t and Dutifull Subjects:

John Curtis
John Houlton,
1 Benjamin Todd
2. Benjamin Jones
3. Philip Jones
4. Rich^d Pitsland
5. Joel Bennet
6. Freeman Newman
7. Dan^l Donohoe,
8. Edward Berry,
9. Auth^y Barns,
10. Rob^t Thompson

11 Jas. Mathias,
12. George Cooper
13. Rich^d Wilkinson
14. James Jack
15. John Videon
16. Rob^t Britt
17. Tho^s Wilson
18. James Rice,
19. Tim^y Murphy,
20. James Rany
21. James Bradly
22. David Moroney