

C. C. to him, taking his Receipt and, if not wanted there, to proceed to Camp with it.

Col^o William Beatty }
Fred^k County }

We are &^{ca}

[Council to S. Smith.]

In Council 2^d June 1778.

Sir.

The Independence Galley is now gone to Cambridge for a Number of Tents belonging to the Continent, to be delivered at the Head of Elk ; we also forwarded from the same Place, about three hundred Stand of Arms belonging to the Continent which we designed for the Maryland Troops, understanding none in the Continental Service are more in Want. We shall be obliged to you to contrive that these Arms and Tents, immediately on their being landed at the Head of Elk, be forwarded to the Maryland Division and we request Col^o Henry Hollingsworth's Assistance to the Officer you may send on this Business. The Blankets which go in the Galley we understand, belong to Virginia.

We are &^{ca}

L^t Col^o Sam^l Smith.

[Council to Delegates in Congress.]

In Council 2^d June 1778.

Gen^t

This will be delivered to you by L^t Col^o Sam^l Smith, who promises to take York in his Way on purpose to deliver it. Our giving you this Trouble is occasioned by the repeated Complaint we have, that a great Part of the Maryland Troops are without Arms and many of them almost naked. From what we learn or collect, our Troops have not drawn any Cloathing at all from the Continent. We have struggled all in our Power, but are tired of being taken in for a large share of the Public Expence, which is enhanced too by the Continental Officers overbidding us, and providing separately for our own. We request you to obtain an Order of the Board of War on the Commissary of Cloathing for 1000 Suits of Cloaths and Hats, 2000 Shirts and 1500 Blankets, to be delivered to M^r John Randall, who we have appointed to deliver out Cloathing to our Soldiers and that, if the Articles are not ready, the Order may bind the first that are. We have also sent to Cambridge for a Number of Continental Tents ; we have requested Col^o Smith to see that they are forwarded