

vided I could get a Siene for each division of the Company, c. s. c. and every mess furnished with a frying pan. My Company being stationed in a Fish Country a great saving to the public might be made by furnishing the men with materials for catching & dressing them. If you think proper that I should look out for Provision be pleased to inform me by Return of M^r Steward and give me leave to draw on the treasury for the Purchase Money. I hope tis now in your Power to furnish us with more ammuniton, and the Arms allotted for my Company When we get the Arms be pleased also to supply me with a quantity of Cartridge Paper. The Men are in great want of hats & Breeches be pleased to forward them to me as soon as possible. This County being in so very defenceless a situation obliges me to press you for the supply of arms and I hope will sufficiently plead my excuse for so repeatedly pressing you for them. If you should employ M^r Steward in any way so that his return here, will be impeaded be pleased to fall upon some method of advising me as soon as possible. a letter sent by Coll^o Fitzhugh will quickly come to hand.

I am in great want of Rum for the } I am Gen^t y^r hble Serv^t
 men, if it be possible send me some } J. A. Thomas.

[Johnson to Council.]

Original.

Phil^a 9 March 1776.

Gent^t Cap^t Tibbett has this moment arrived the vessell he went out in is sold & he is in an armed vessell he has only about 2000 lb of powder about 6 Tons of lead Duck Ozns &c. the vessel is on her way to the City we shall send forward the Effects as well as the powder borrowed from our province by Virg^a which is ordered out of a very scanty Stock to be returned

I am Gen^t very respectfully

Your most obed^t Serv^t Th. Johnson Jun^r

To the Honble the Council of Safety of Maryland.

[Johnson and Alexander to Council.]

Original.

Phil^a Sat. Ev. 9 March 1776.

Gent. Immediately on Receipt of a Letter from M^r Purviance by express advising us of a Man of War, being in your Bay, we applied to Congress for one Ton of Powder, which was readily granted, the Delegates of Virg^a had sent off one Ton in a Waggon, this without sollicitation they offered us & we excepted & have sent their order to the Waggoner to proceed to Balt. We had an order for 1875 due Maryland from Congress & this Day Cap^t Tibbit arrived from Statia with about