

tude and respect for the public from whom I, had it, I hope to have the testimony of my Brother officers that I served with Vigilance and attention, since my appointment and beg leave to assure you that no consideration would induce me to leave the service but the hopes of being more useful in another department I entered into the service a Volunteer and now quit it with regret I looked on the commission I held as a testimony of the public confidence and esteem and shall endeavour in my new capacity to merrit the attention that was paid me. I shall go to Philadelphia to morrow to purchase such necessaries, as cannot be got here and make application for a Commission for the vessel, could I obtain a few lines from your Honourable Council signifying that I was in the land service of this province, it would no doubt facilitate my business and be of service to me, we are much distressed for canvas, I know of none, private property, to be had, could your Hon^{ble} Council spare us any, would forward our enterprize, and enable us to fit out, with more expedition than will be otherwise in our power.

I am Sir, Your most obed^t hum^l Serv^t

James Campbell

[Ware to Council.]

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Gentlemen: I have just been informed by Doct^r Wesonthall that the small pox prevalet in several parts of this town which renders a fear other officers myself and several soldiers in danger of taking the infection, as our duty requires our passing frequently by houses where it is, the Doct^r has advised me to be Enockolated emediately as a person of my age must be in great danger who takes it in the natural way, I have therefore thought it my duty to state the matter to you, and wait your instructions thereon, and hope if you should disapprove of Enockolation that you will contrive some method of getting the troops encamped without the town. Whetstone point would be the most proper station could we be provided with tents and other camp utensils. But the officers have neither of them a tent nor do I think it in their power to furnish them as proper cloth is not to be had :

I am Gentlemen with due respect your very Hum^l Serv^t

Fran^s Ware :