C. S. C. No. 83.

[Council to Dallam.]

To Richard Dallam, Esqr Harford County

Sir. We received yours of the 22^d of July and are glad to hear that you have made as many Guns as will reimburse the Money already advanced, they may be delivered to Colonel Carville Hall or his order. The price you ask is high for Guns, but we want them at present, and therefore will take any number you may make in six Weeks from this time, and give you four pounds ten shillings currency for them compleatly finished.

27 July 1776

No. 84.

[Council to Gordon and Patten.]

To Mess¹⁵ Gordon and Patten.

Gentlemen. Inclosed you will have a plan of a Knapsack and Havresack in one adopted by three Provinces and which they offer to make of the Materials, Dimentions and in manner described, in Philadelphia at Eight Shillings and Six pence.

If you incline to make two Thousand six hundred at that Rate we will agree to pay that price, provided they be made

in the space of six weeks at furthest.

We expect your answer immediately that we may apply elsewhere in case you do not incline to furnish us.

27 July 1776

No. 85.

[DuVall to G. Hopkins.]

To Mr. Gerard Hopkins Son of Richard.

Inclosed you will receive an order on the Treasury for Fifty pounds to pay off the Debts you have incurred on the account of the Knapsacks and Havresacks, for Girth and Diaper Web & what you may want for future Purchases of that sort.

I have it in command from the Council to inform you that it is impossible for them to fix the price of making the Havresacks as they cannot be Judges of the value of work they have never seen and Havresacks are made in various forms and of course more work must be bestowed on one kind than another.

Knapsacks and Havresacks in one are offered to be made in Philadelphia, and all materials found for eight shillings and six pence a piece; you speak only of Havresacks, it is not known if you mean Havresacks alone or Knapsacks and Havresacks together, as soon as the price can be fixed the cash will be sent you. The Councill will pay what the Committee of Baltimore shall fix that value at.