

for Captain Young's Company—Tents, Gunslings, Cartouch Boxes and Bayonet Belts you will pleased to get, if you have not already done it for the three Companies viz': Posey's, Lowe's, and Young's. Captⁿ Forrest we have ordered to remain in S^t Mary's County to supply the place of Thomas's Independent Company—he will be obliged to borrow arms from the militia. We wish to forward you all in our power, but cannot agree to spare the arms in the hands of the Harford Comm^{ee} or in Dallam's possession; the Companies of the Battalion we propose to keep are not half armed—you must depend on your former order to the Committee. We have advanced the sum of £125 c^y each, to Capt^{ns} Posey & Lowe—you are to account with Captⁿ Lowe for £200.. 0.. 0, which he says you have already furnished him with;—we expect to have the pleasure of seeing you in Annapolis before you go, when you have sent off the three Companies; we are obliged to transmit our Acc^{ts} to Congress, and therefore request you to come prepared to settle your whole Acc^t.

12th Augst 1776.

[Council to Hopkins.]

No. 131.

To Gerard Hopkins Dep^y Commiss^y

Sir. We have heretofore given Col^o Ch^s Greenberry Griffith an order for sundries for his Battalion,—but Captⁿ Burgess's Company coming this way & being forwarder than the rest of the Battalion, we request you would deliver him 86 Gun slings, 86 Bayonet Belts, 15 Camp Kettles, 90 Cartouch Boxes, 90 Brushes and priming wires, and deduct so many of each from the former order.

12th Aug^t 1776

[Cunningham to Council.]

Original.

Anapolis August 12th 1776.

Gentlemen: When I was last before you, you was pleased to allow me a few days to consider on what I had best do for to get a living for myself. I think as this is the country in which I expect to live & spend my days in I cannot do better than enter into the service of this country, though it may appear a little odd that I should be so ready to enter into the service of the States of America after being so long with Lord Dunmore, yet I'm in hopes that it will not appear so when I tell you that I was long before I left the fleet looked upon as what they call a Rebel. I have been by order of his Lordship tryed for such and with great difficulty could get clear. I had a Commission which I was prevailed upon to accept by my friends which I give up in a very few days since which I