

c. B. Waters's of W^m Company & to Thomas Williams Ensign of Capt John Williams's Company, belonging to the Princess Anne Battalion of Militia in Somerset County.

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[Council to James Calhoun.]

In Council 6th January 1778.

Sir.

The late fortunate Capture by our Troops at Wilmington, we are in Hopes, has in great Measure, relieved, if not fully supplied them. It will certainly promote the Recruiting Service to have Cloaths furnished to the Men immediately on their Inlistment, we therefore request that, as soon as any Recruit is inlisted, you will, on the Officer's Application, furnish him with one Pair of Shoes one Pair of Stockings, two Shirts, a Pair of Breeches, a Coat, Jacket and Hat or such of those Articles as you have, as the Recruit may want, charging the Regiment to which such Recruit belongs, for the Articles delivered.

We are &^{ca}

James Calhoun Esq^r

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[Council to Smallwood.]

In Council Annapolis 6th Jan^y 1778.

Sir

We have heard of your good Fortune in capturing a Store Brig, on which we congratulate you, but do not know how far your Wants may be relieved by it, though, we flatter ourselves with the Hopes that you have Cloathing sufficient, and to spare, for all the Maryland Troops. We have a good many Articles, purchased up in different Parts of the Country. A good Deal of the Linen is made into Shirts and we are drawing the Goods together from the different Collectors, in order to send them forward; but, if you are supplied and the Army in general is in a fair way of being so, we are of Opinion, nothing, will so much assist the Recruiting Service as our being able to cloath the Men, immediately on their Inlistment, and therefore wish to apply the Goods that Way; yet, any Articles you want or any other Part of the Army, with which they are not likely to be soon supplied, as far as we can, we would furnish. Be pleased to dispatch the Bearer, who goes on purpose with this, and advise us, which will regulate our Conduct.

We are Sir &^{ca}

General Smallwood.