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[Circular to Purchasers of Clothing.]

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In Council Annapolis 13th May 1778

Sir

It is with Pleasure we request you will not make any further Purchases of Cloathing for the Troops under your present Instructions, excepting Hats. We have lately engaged a considerable quantity of Linen of Mr. Morris and are empowered to appropriate some Cloathing belonging to the Congress to the use of our Quota; with those Additions we shall be able to furnish our Men tolerably well; any that you may have on Hand, we wish you to send forward as formerly directed, or, if wanted by the Recruits or Substitutes of your County, deliver to the Officers for their Use. Be so obliging also as to transmit us an Account of your Purchase and your Disposition of the Cloathing, that we may have the General Account made up as soon as may be. We are &ca

To the Purchasers of Cloathing.

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[Council to D. Hughes.]

In Council Annapolis 13th May 1778.

Sir

Capt Charles Coulston has waited on us and tells us that the Company over which he was appointed Captain is, in your now Disposition of the Militia, broke and divided between Daniel Cresap's & Charles Clinton's Companies. We have never received a return from you of any of the Militia beyond Licking Creek and wish to have it as soon as may be, that the Officers may be commissioned, and the Militia to the westward put in the best State, that they may be ready at any Time to act in their own Defence, if, as is too likely, it should be necessary. We think as Captⁿ Coulston's Company is a frontier Company, it had better be kept entire, unless there are Reasons against it which do not occur to us and which we request you will mention, if you should still think it proper to Captain Coulston also mentions that break that Company. you desired him not to call on his Company to meet and exercise because, we suppose, of your Intention to divide it as mentioned before, but, 'til the new Commissions are issued, his is certainly in Force. The Number of Men to be raised in your County was fixed on the Number of the two lower Battalions only, and we are apprehensive that the Conduct of the Indians may make it necessary to strengthen the upper We are Sir & ca Part.

P. S. Capt. Coulston says that he was arrested by Colo