

December 12 tans du Maryland, et je regarde conune un bonheur toutes les occasions qui se presentent de consolider l'union qui existe entre les deux nations. Je ferai part à M^r Gérard des choses obligeantes dont Vous me chargez pour lui, et j'espère que mon attachement pour l'Amerique unie justifiera celles que Vous avez bien voulu m'adresser.

Je suis avec un respectueux attachement Monsieur De Votre Excellence le très humble et très obéissant Serviteur

December 14 [Stephen West Woodyard to Thomas Johnson Esquire Clerk of the Council]

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Sir I have but just now received The Answer of The Governor & Council to my offer of some Stockings for the use of The Army. I commend very much these Honourable Gentlemen for their Care in purchasing as cheap as may be for the publick but I fear their good intentions will not work a reduction of prices till a general Regulation takes place. I feel, most woefully, the exorbitance of the Times, and am compelled, from mere necessity & self preservation, to obtain prices, in some degree proportionate. I wish I was able to give to the Army the necessaries they want, but that unhappily, is not the Case with me. I am informed that Our Executive gave 120/ per Livre at the foot of an Invoice from France; If so I am certain my stockings woud amount to more than 50 dollars a pair, as they woud Cost upwards of 3 Livres; and as the lowest price at Philadelphia for such is 50 dollars, I think my self well warranted, from those & the Circumstances of every thing round me to expect the same rates the Continental Cloathiers are giving, However to avoid unnecessary trouble to Their Honours I am willing to meet them half way; They offer 35 dollars; I think the Corr^t Prices lately for such have been, & are at least, 50, the medium is 42½ & under our Present Circumstances, there can be no doubt of the propriety of His Excellency & Their Honours allowing me that price which I have reasons to believe is Comparatively low.

December 14 [Sam Huntington, President, Philadelphia to His Excellency Governor Johnson]

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Sir Your Excellency will receive herewith enclosed two acts of Congress of the 11th instant and one other Act of this day; by which you will be inform'd that Congress have determin'd to call upon the several States to furnish their Quotas of such supplies as may from time to time be wanted for carrying on the war taking due care to suit the conveniencies of the several States and the articles by them respectively furnished shall be credited towards their quotas of the monies they are called upon to raise for the United States at equal prices for articles of the same kind & quality and for others in due