Red Book present ease or convenience of individuals will be put in competition No. 7 with the lasting happiness of millions. That the rulers of States will not hesitate to exert their utmost authority and that the people have too much understanding to refuse a temporary submission to such vigorous exertions as are necessary to secure them from continued oppression and established tyranny.

A common council involves the power of direction Let not our measures be checked or controuled by the negligence or partial views and interests of separate communities, while they profess to be members of one body. too long have the dearest interests of America been sacrificed to present ease Too many of us have slept in false security. Let us awake before the season for successful exertion is passed. Judge you whether the loss of Charles Town and the situation of your grand Army does not call for every spirited effort. The objects which claim your immediate attention are clearly pointed out by the requisitions of Congress and their committee at head quarters. Let them be complied with. Enable us to cooperate vigourously with the fleets and armies of our Ally and we may reasonably hope through the blessing of divine providence for a speedy and happy termination of a controversy which is to give freedom and independence to millions

June 16 [H. Hollingsworth, D. Q. M. G¹ Head of Elk, to His Excellency the Governor in Council]

Gentlemen Your favor of the 12th by Messrs Wells & Cunes came duly to hand with Ten thousand nine hundred and fifty one pounds Bacon and five barrells Pork in good order having no money could advance the Gentlemen none have assumed for some small matters which they were in want of, to the amount of One hundred and thirty eight pounds fifteen shillings, which you will please to Stop out of the Sales as I have charged it to the State. the bacon shall go on tomorrow, have partly got through the State Wheat delivered me by the Commissioners & shall be down with a State of the Accounts as soon as Leisure will permit. I had the Honor of receiving your late appoint shall act at least untill I have the pleasure of seeing your Honors, as I have several Continental Vessells now at leisure (will be soon Idle) unless I am inform'd of some business more than I know of, which 'tis fear'd will be attended with bad Consequences to the Army, as I have generally observed that leisure at this Post, fore leads want to the Army, therefore take the Liberty to entreat, that I may be inform'd of any grain flour Provisions &ca that may be to bring forward, & those Vessells shall be immediately sent for it which will contribute to the Service