

August 11 confined for Desertion, I beg leave to request that your Excellency  
 Red Book would lay the matter before the Council. They with Your Excel-  
 No. 29 lency being the only Persons capable of such Transactions. I shall  
 Letter take the Liberty to observe that the man offered in Exchange is  
 No. 4 represented to me by Lieut<sup>t</sup> Golder as much better calculated for  
 a Soldier than the Prisoner, he being old & Deaf. should waited on  
 your Excellency but am so unwell that I cannot stir out. I am with  
 every Pertinent of Respect Y<sup>r</sup> Very h<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

August 12 [J. Crawford Ad. G'l 8<sup>th</sup> Pena. Regt Fort Pitt to Capt Thos Beall,  
 Lt. Col. Rawlins Corp]

Sir You are arrest<sup>d</sup> by order of the Comm<sup>d</sup>t For discharging a  
 soldier (after being duly Inlisted and receiving his Reg<sup>ts</sup> cloathing)  
 through Private and Interested Views & thereby Defrauding the  
 United States.

August 13 [Tho. Price Fred<sup>k</sup> Town to the Governor and Council]

Gentlemen Agreeable to your Instructions I have to inform you  
 that I have Contracted for about five hundred Bushels of wheat,  
 and upwards one hundred Barrels of Flour, the greatest part of it  
 delivered the wheat at £22..10 p<sup>r</sup> Bushel and Flour at 67..00 p<sup>r</sup>  
 hundred, for which I have paid to some one half to others a third  
 and some less in cash, to others certificates have paid for the whole,  
 I have for some time stopd contracting for any part in cash and  
 think it would be advisable to stop purchasing for certificates if  
 Money can be had, for larger quantities may be purchased at forty  
 & forty five dollars p<sup>r</sup> Bushel for cash then with certificates at sixty,  
 upon an average it will take about a third cash for my purchase  
 therefore I hope you will furnish me with £2250 more which I think  
 will enable me to comply with my contracts an order one the Col-  
 lector of this County may do tho I have not as yet received the  
 amount of the other order, he complains that cash comes in very  
 slow. This is the first oppertunity I have met since my last other-  
 ways I should give this information sooner Col<sup>o</sup> Stones letter of  
 the 25<sup>th</sup> of last month respecting hats did not come to hand till  
 yesterday. The Hatters have engaged to get three hundred ready  
 by this day week for which they have agreed to take seventy Dollars  
 p<sup>r</sup> Hat but they must have the cash on the delivery of Hats they also  
 will ingage to have five or six hundred more done in about four  
 or five weeks if wanted money is very scarce here which has induced  
 the hatters to fall ten dollars on each hat some of the Shoemakers  
 have offered to deliver shoes at from eighty to seventy five dollars  
 p<sup>r</sup> pare Col<sup>o</sup> Stone desired I would describe the quality of the linnen  
 I mention'd in my last I mentioned could be purchased at 40 dollars  
 p<sup>r</sup> yard my meaning was linnen fitting for Soldiers Shirts about a