

August 25 purchasers who are able to lay down the Cash gets wheat much faster than I can. I have got some from Doctor Davidson who desires to know if he can be furnished with Medicine out of the State Store for the amount; some Gentⁿ desire to know what I shall be able to allow of the new Emission, I shall be glad to know what I may offer of the New emission when it comes out. Some Gentⁿ will lett me have their wheat on engaging to give them the markt price at the time the money is paid they say tis hard to furnish the wheat and lay out of the Cash and not receive the price going at the time of payment but I have refused to make any such contract without I have y^r instructions. I know not what to offer of the money to be Struck as some desire to wait and receive that. I hope y^r Excell^{cy} will instruct me as soon as possible what to offer and whither I may engage to give the markt price (to those who will furnish the Wheat) at the time of payment

August 25

[Jno. Reid, Capt Fort Fred^k to Gov. Lee]

Sir I received your Excellencys order on M^r Abram Faw in Frederick town for twenty suits of Cloaths, on application to him he cou'd only furnish me with Cloth five shirts & three Hatts in Consequence of which I sent a copy of your order with my Receipt for Articles rec^d from him, to Captⁿ Keepot in Baltimore hoping it woud be in his Power to fill up the order & furnish the residue but as the order was not immediatly to him from your Excell^y he cou'd not lett me have the Cloathing.

The great necessity the men are in for the want of Cloathing has obliged me to send down Lieu^t Magruder to see if your Excell^{ys} wou'd be kind enough to grant me an order on Capt. Keepot for the remainder of the order.

I am sorry to inform your Excell^y that I have not been able to procure a single Recruit since my last owing to the extravagant prices given to Soldiers for the reg^t Extraord^y but am still in hopes of making a few in the fall & winter

Inclosed is M^r William Pile's resignation Since which M^r Gab^l Jacob has Acted; upon what your Excell^y said to Col^o Rawlings respecting him, Your Excell^y will be pleas'd to send his commission.

I shoud be very happy if your Excellency woud grant me an order for a suit of Cloaths for myself & officers and also some Stores the Stores Col^o Rawlings will furnish me with if your Excell^y approves of it.

Sir finding the Appointm^t I rec^d from the Governor & Council of Lieu^t in your Comp^y wou'd interfere too much with my Private affairs must decline accepting & hope youll receive this as my resignation I am Sir with esteem your Hum^{ble} Serv^t W^m Pyle

June 1st 1780 To Capt. John Reid