

will be also his Care to make the most of the skins & furs
for the publick which well managed & disposed of will be a
considerable Saving to the Government. The Regulating the
Books & in Case of His Masters Absence the Care of delivering
out Provisions to the Deputy will be sufficient Business for
the Clerk, & when the Troops leave wills Creek the Deputy
must always receive & take Charge of the Provisions & to
deliver it out at Stated times to the Troops. This Affair
of Victualing the Troops being a matter of the greatest
Importance, It will I doubt not be committed to a person
of Honour & Ability, wherefore I hope You will take my
Proposal into Consideration & if You approve thereof acquaint
me what You think a sufficient Recompence or Salary
for such a Service, & if You have not engaged with any
Gent^l to act in such a Capacity I can I believe venture to
recommend or appoint one whose Character, fortune &
ability render him equal to the Undertaking. Whoever
shall be employed to purchase provision of any kind for the
future I think should be directed to insert in all their
Contracts a Clause subjecting the Vendor to a large Penalty
in Case of his Non-Compliance with the Conditions
specified in the Contract that all extraordinary Expence
incurred by his Neglect or Inability might be defrayed by
the Penalty & the Govern^t thereby indemnified. Care should
also be taken to oblige the Vendors by their Contracts to make
the Delivery at wills Creek & nowhere else unless any Persons
may be disposed to engage for the Delivery of what they
supply whether it be cured or Live Stock fit to kill to
the Deputy Commissary at any place the Troops may
march to after their Departure from wills Creek & You
will perhaps think it proper to encourage them to enter