

No 59. Philadelphians take it into their Heads and they may probably do it, they'll run up the Hemp to, perhaps 5, 6, 7 or 8 L. in Frederick in a Hurry, they have no Bounds and we must have (oxdage) for the How gallies, we wish you to secure 10 or 12 Tons quickly.

We are Yrs

Christ. Lavender Esq^r

Capt. D. Maybury Jr. An Council Annapolis 13th. May 1777.

It is absolutely necessary that a Quantity of Hessian and 60. Rice should be had for the Use of the Continental Troops now under Inspection here, as well as for the others daily recruited - as none that we know of can be got in this Town, you'll go to Baltimore Town and endeavour to purchase, for the Use mentioned. Above 1st H. of Hessian and about 300^{lb} Rice, you will give a full Value for these Articles, if to be had on Contract, but if they are not to be purchased without giving an exorbitant newly advanced Price, you are to take them, having them valued and paying the Valuation

Capt. Beriah Maybury Jr.

We are Yrs

Giv.

An Council Annapolis 13th. May 1777.

Mr. Maybury, the Bearer of this, will receive any Shirts you may have 61. to send us for the Continental Troops; we think it will be best to let us have 500, if you can conveniently spare so many.

We are Yrs

Mr. Saml. Purvis Jun^r.

Gen^t

An Council Annapolis 13th. May 1777.

We had a good Deal of Conversation with Mr. Beall when he was here about our Medicines which were left at Petersburgh, as well as about the 62. Goods lodged at Eadentown, he promised to forward all and took a Memorandum and Orders from us. When he was at Baltimore, he wrote us the 6th Inst. "I have the Pleasure to inform you that your Goods are arrived here from Petersburgh and you may depend no Time shall be lost in forwarding those at Eadentown" From this we expected that our Medicines had got to Baltimore and desired Mr. Duvall, when he went up to Baltimore last Saturday, to enquire for and order them down, they being much wanted, but on his Return, he could give us no Satisfaction about them. We shall be obliged to you to let us know whether you heard Mr. Beall say any Thing on the Subject, or what Ground he had for writing in the Manner mentioned above. Mr. Maybury has Orders to bring the Medicines with him, if they are in Baltimore. Mr. Ridgely tells us that you or Mr. Young mentioned to him that you were inclined to let us have 500 Jackets as rated on a Valuation, for the Troops; they are wanted and we agree you and Mr. Dray appoint Persons to fix the Price. Mr. Maybury will bring them too.

We are Yrs

Wm^r Young & McFerry