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Sir

The above is a copy of ours of the 20th ~~last~~ of last Month, it was
a circular and we designed to stop any further Purchases of cattle
or other Provisions, by the Purchasers appointed under the laws
of this State. The continental Commissary has appointed Agents
who, we hope will be able to procure an ample Supply for
the Army and therefore it appears to us to be disadvantageous
as well as unnecessary to have any Rivalship in the Purchase
If you know of any cattle to be purchased, you'd do the Public
a Service to acquaint the continental Agent of them.

We are &c.

Capt. Robert Owing
Montgomery County 3

Council 23^d July 1778.

Capt. Campbell.

You are to take under your Guard of Matroffes and
Militia the Prisoners mentioned in the List now delivered to
you, not on Paroll. Capt. Bricey and his Son are to be allowed
this Opportunity of going to Philadelphia. You are to proceed
to the Head of Elk and from thence by Land to Philadelphia
Deliver the Letter, on your Arrival, to the Board of War as directed
and the Prisoners according to their Order. The Baggage had best
be sent to Christiana and from thence by Water to Philadelphia.
On your being discharged of the Prisoners, you are to return
without Delay, we advise, to Christiana, by Water and from the Head
of Elk by Water, call on the ensuing Commissaries for the necessary
Provisions —

F. J.

Capt. Campbell.

Council Annapolis 23^d July 1778.

Gent.

We have furnished Mr. Randall with £1000. to lay out in Liquors
for the Maryland Officers and should have supplied him with
considerably more but that we think a very large Sum may not
be safe whilst the Army is continually moving; we therefore request
you'll obtain from the Congress an Act of this State, as far as £1000.
and pay it to him or his Orders occasionally. We have supplied him with
what Cloathing we could, but our Troops will still want about 1000
Shirts and, we believe, more Blankets. We beg you'll interest yourselves
to get him supplied if possible with those Articles; there is too much
Reason to complain of the Neglect of our Troops; in the care of these
depends chiefly our Power to raise more
Volunteers from Maryland in Congress. We are &c.