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we have any nine Pounders besides the five which which are not mounted
at Ball, and we cannot, with any Propriety, part from any Guns that are mounted on
the Reason has induced us not to part from the small Guns at Balt. or this Place, on
Applications which have been made for them. If from our not being able to furnish you
with a fresh nine Pounder, the odd one should be useless, you may have four only, if they will best
suit you. Capt. Reports is left at Liberty to exchange a Part of his ready filled nine Pound
Carriages, with you for the Fresh Powder. We do not know that we have any nine Pound
Carriages, if on Enquiry, there are such, - Mr. Reports will deliver them to you.
We are &c

John Young.

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you are to proceed with that Part of your Company which is here, to the Head of Elk, from
thence, by Christen Bridge, at one of these Places, we expect you will meet with Lieut. Riddler
with the other Part of your Comp^y. He having Orders to wait for you at Christen if he should get
there before you. From Christen you are to proceed with your Company by Water to Trenton,
avoiding Philadelphia, if you can and from Trenton you are to march for Genl. Washington's
Head Quarters, You are to wait on the General, make known your Appointments from this
State, he will, we presume, take Order for the Officers receiving their Commissions
Capt. Edward Gale.

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We had the Honor of receiving a few Days ago a letter from his Excellency Genl. Washington
inclosing a list of four Officers belonging to this State who have been in Captivity & are
reported by the Comm^{rs} of Prisoners as Violators of Paroll. His Ex^{ty} desires such Measures
may be taken as shall appear proper & Effectual to produce their immediate Return. He
remarks that this will be rendering essential Service to our Officers in General in Captivity
and to discourage the Practice of violating Parolls in future. Capt. Richard Davis of Wash-
ington County is one of the Persons mentioned in this list. We understand he has either got
off or on the Point of getting off for the Back Country, he may probably call at Pittsburg, or at
some Post under your Direction and we have no Doubt your Inclination will be equal to
your Power to compel him to appear before Genl. Washington by whom he will, most
probably, be returned into Captivity.
We are &c

Officer commanding at
Post Pitt.

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We received the other Day a letter from his Ex^{ty} Genl. Washington dated the 26th of
last Month, inclosing a list of Officers who are reported by the Comm^{rs} of Prisoners, as
Violators of Paroll, amongst them is Capt. Richard Davis who, we hear is just about going
into the Back Country. The Genl. desires that effectual Measures may be taken to produce
their immediate Return. We should very reluctantly go into any Violence or Severity, which
might injure a young Man who has fought in the Battles of America, might hurt his Bro-
ther, who has suffered a long Imprisonment or a Father who has behaved as a good Amer-
icew and have therefore spoke to Col. Davis on the Subject and expect if Capt. Davis
has not got off we shall soon see him here. If he is gone to the Back Country, we request
you'll contrive the inclosed, to Pittsburg, unless in Conversation with Col. Davis, there
is good Reason to expect him soon back.
We are &c

David Hughes Esq^r.
Lt of Washington County }

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Inclosed you have licenses indorsed on your Appointments of Assistants. Your Commission
from Genl. Greene appoints you Dep^y W. Master Genl. of the Army of the United States for the
Western Shore of Maryland, from whence it would seem that all who acted in this Department on
the Western Shore, should be subordinate to you. The 13th Inst. Col. Charles Beatty produced us a
Commission from John Jay Esq. Jun^r. W. Genl. dated Lancaster 10th April 1770. nominating
and appointing him (C. B.) to act do & perform all and singular the Business of Dep^y W. W. Genl.
with the Privilege of making Purchases in the County of Fredk of Horses &c. Col. Beatty
requested and had a license for himself as well as, on the 10th for Rich. Butler & Nick.
Pice as his Assistants. We do not know that the Business will be the worse done for
your & their Appointments, but there appears to us a Degree of Inconsistency in different
People acting in the same Place, in the same Business, with equal Powers. We did not
know what Proportion of Cannon & what of Musquet Powder we had at Fredk, but imagined
we had by much the greatest Part of Cannon. As it turns out otherwise we would by all
means have the 30 thousand Weight made up of Musquet Powder and for that Purpos
write to Col. Keruse the inclosed.
We are &c

James Calhoun Esq^r.