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In Council Annapolis 31st Dec^r 1779

We would not have you do any thing more to the Barracks at present but advise you to have the Tents taken out and secured to prevent any further Damage to them. If you have any Cloathing on Hand, we wish you to forward it immediately to Mr. Hepparts. We would have you purchase Linen for three or four Hundred Shirts, provided you can get it at the Price you mention, to supply the Recruits to be raised by the late Act.

W^m Abraham Saw.

We are &c

In Council Annapolis 1st January 1780

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Sir. It is necessary that the utmost Expedition should be used in transporting the Cloathing for our Quota of the Army of the United States to Camp and we do instruct you to procure on Hire, such a Number of Waggones as will be sufficient for that Purpose. You must attend the Waggones in Person and take such a Guard as you think necessary. When you arrive at Camp, you are to deliver the Cloathing to Mr. John Randall State Cloathier and take his Receipt for the same.

37. You are to apply to Mr. James Calhoun of Baltimore Town and request him to give you an Order on the Continental Quarter Master for Forage for the Horses

We are &c

Capt. Geo. P. Hepparts

In Council Annapolis 3rd January 1780

Circular.

Sir.

This Board reposing Confidence in your Zeal and Activity to promote the Cause of Liberty, have appointed you one of the Recruiting Officers for — County and have to observe by Way of Instructions, that you must, in discharging your Duty, pursue the Directions contained in the "Act for recruiting the Quota of Troops

38. of this State in the American Army", herewith sent. For the Subsistence of the Recruits enlisted by you, we advise you to purchase Provisions sufficient for that Purpose and to allow each Recruit the Continental Ration. To enable you to make such Purchase and to pay the Continental and State Bounties, we have sent you an Order on the Collector of the Tax for your County for three thousand Dollars. You must render us an Account of the Money expended in the Purchase of Provisions to subsist your Recruits and in paying the Bounties and inform when more Money will be necessary for this Service. Should there be a Recruiting Officer in your County from Camp, you must deliver your Recruits to such Officer, as soon as you can, after they are passed, if not, you must deliver them to the Recruiting Officer in any other County that is most Convenient. Should there be an Army Commissary in your County, and convenient, it will be proper to draw the Rations for your Recruits from him. You are to use every Precaution to avoid enlisting British or foreign Deserters; the most particular Attention to this Object of your Instructions will be necessary to prevent Imposition.

We are &c

To the Recruiting Officers in St. Mary's
Charles, Prince Georges, Montgomery,
Washington, Frederick, Baltimore
Harford, Cecil Count, Queen Anns,
Talbot and ~~Worcester~~ Counties.