loaded with Sugar for Cadiz to ... your Address. We enclose you
a Copy of the Agreement made with the owners of the Vessels by which
you will observe one half of each is to be loaded with Goods on
account of the State. We expect if Bills can be obtained at the Havan-
nah, that our Agent will remit you a sufficient Sum with the
Sale of the Sugars to fill up our half of the Vessels, if this should
not be the Case, we hope you will be able to do it by taking
Goods on Freight. We enclose you a Scheme for Goods, the Risque
of which you will divide as equal as Circumstances will admit, as
the Demands for furnishing our Army are pressing, we rely on
your Exertions to procure the Articles ordered for that Purpose,
and that you will dispatch the Vessels before any Expence of
Demurrage is incurred, you will either diminish or increase the
Articles mentioned in the Scheme according to the Subjects in
Hand, holding in Idea that the Soldiers Cloathing are the most
necessary.

Richard Harrison Esq.

In Council. 5th January, 1781.

Sir,

We were honored with your Excellency's Address of the 16 October.
Your allowing Mr. Dorsey the highest current Price for the Flour
that could be obtained and your Assistance in the Management
of his Business and the Civilities shewn him demand our Acknow-
ledgement. The Motives assigned for the Detention of the Fire is
fully satisfactory, and convinces us that no Blame is imputable
to the Agent for the Delay. The Difficulty of procuring Military
Stores and Cloathing in America for our Officers Army and
Soldiers added to our earnest Desire to supply his Catholic
Majesty's Fleets and Armies with Provision have induced us
to export the further Quantity of Barrels of Flour in their
Bottoms which we have consigned to Mr. Dorsey and in Case of his
Death or Absence to Mr. Robert Smith a Gentleman of equal
Merit and Integrity who we beg leave to introduce to your Excellency's
Notice. If by means of your Excellency's Assistance and good Offices,
Mr. Dorsey would be furnished with such military Stores and