

In Council, 9th Feb. 1781.

Sir,

163. Mr. Ridley has made us an Offer of a Quantity of Baye which will for 2⁹/₁₆ for ones, and also a Parcel of Stedings at the same Rate. We desire you to examine these Articles, and should you think they will answer our Purpose, we request you would take Charge of them and write us immediately.

Cap^t George Neoperts.

In Council, 10th Feb. 1781.

Sir,

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The publick Salt under the Directions of Mr. Wedderburn, the late Commissary of Purchases of the Eastern Shore, in the Possession of the late Commissary of Dorchester County Mr. Harrison, you will receive for the Use of the State and give your Receipt therefor. We desire you to forward by the first Opportunity to the Head of Elk twenty one Barrels of Flour, two Barrels of Ship Stuff, four Barrels of Hoglard for the united States, together with two hundred Bushels of Wheat now in Store at Cambridge to be delivered to the issuing Commissary at the Head of Elk and for which you are to take his Receipt.

Mr. James Sullivan?

In Council, 12th Feb. 1781.

Sir,

165.

The General Assembly of this State at their late Sitting, passed an Act directing, that the non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the Regiment extraordinary should be drafted into the continental Service and that the field and commissioned Officers of said Regiment should be recalled with this Promise that Colonel Alexander Lawson Smith who had the Command of the said Regiment should hold the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel as a supernumerary Officer in this State in the continental Service, he having resigned his Commission in the continental Service for the Purpose of accepting the Command of said Regiment, and being entitled in Honour to the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel and requested us to write to your Board desiring, that a Commission might be made out accordingly. We therefore desire that a Commission may issue to Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Lawson Smith with the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the continental Service.

President of the Board of War.