

General Greene on that of the 8th
Governor Jefferson

In Council, 16th March, 1781.

N^o. 260. Sir, We are informed by his Excellency, Governor Jefferson that the Convention Troops, and those taken at the Camps near Winchester on the 12th Instant on their March to Lancaster, agreeable to an Order of Congress of the 3^d Instant, as we apprehend those Troops are by this Time at Knowland Run, the Point from whence they are to be under the Direction of this State, and must proceed in a few Days; we think it necessary to communicate those Circumstances to your Excellency, that Measures may be adopted to supply them with Provisions as soon as they arrive in Pennsylvania. we are so circumscribed by the Quantity of Provision furnished the Detachment under the Marquis that it will be with Difficulty we can furnish them to your Orders. The Prisoners from this State ordered to York Town will also proceed in a few Days about eight hundred British the Number from Virginia we cannot ascertain. If the Executive of your State should fix on any other Place than now assigned by Congress for their Reception, we request your Excellency to give us the earliest Information thereof with the necessary Communication respecting Supplies
His Excellency Joseph Reed Esq.

In Council, 17 March, 1781.

N^o. 261. Sir, We have so little Provision and the Conveyance of it to you so difficult that we think you had better in the Neighbourhood and issue to each Guard one Pound Salt or one Pound and a Quarter fresh Meat and one Pound and a Quarter Flour per Day you must procure the Provision on the best Terms you can.
Major Mifflin.

In Council, 17 March, 1781.

Sir, We have your letter of the 16th by Express. The English Ships are now at Anchor off this Place. While they continue here it will be improper to send any Barges down the Bay.