

In Council, 23^d May, 1781
 Sir, We have received your letter of the 21st Instant relative
 N^o 267 to the Conduct of General Dancy and William Birkby. We request you to
 procure all the Evidence in your Power that can support the Charge against
 Fromwell's respecting his general Conduct and supposed Connection with the
 Enemy, and send them immediately with General Dancy and Birkby to
 Annapolis that the charge may be clearly investigated as Circumstances
 will admit of. We approve of your Conduct in not delivering the Flour
 purchased by Fromwell to Dancy.

Richard Dallam Esq^r

In Council, 24th May, 1781.
 Sir, From the Representations which have been made by Colo
 Baker Johnson and Colo Wood of the Character and peculiar
 268 Circumstances of Lieutenant Morris of the Convention Troops now in
 this State, we are induced to believe his earnest Desire of being
 released upon Parole, that he may go to Ireland, may be granted
 without Injury to the United States. We beg Leave to refer you for
 further Information to Colo Wood at whose Request we trouble
 you at the present Occasion.

President of the Board of War.

In Council, 25th May, 1781.
 269 Gentlemen We enclose you a Permit to transport the Biscuit to
 Philadelphia agreeable to your Request.
 Mess^{rs} Ridley and Pinkle.

In Council, 25th May, 1781.
 Sir, From some Conversation with Colo Smith we are informed
 that you have a Quantity of Cloths that came from Ireland and
 are fit for the Purpose of cloathing our Troops. We have directed Mr.
 Main to wait on you and look at the Cloths and Invoices and
 enquire on what Terms you will dispose of them. As the Demands for
 Cloathing are very pressing, we rely that you will inform Mr. Main
 of your lowest Terms, which if agreeable, and you choose to take
 merchantable Flour in Payment you shall have immediately