

In Council, 6th Aug. 1781.

700. Sir, We have ordered Rum or Brandy to be immediately purchased for the Troops at this Post, to be issued in such Manner and in such Quantities you may direct. Our Design in ordering this Supply is to remove any Discontents that may have taken Place among the Troops Soldiers from their not being regularly furnished with Rations. We have directed Money to be paid for the deficient Rations and beg you to appoint some Person to receive and distribute it.
Genl. Smallwood.

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701. Sir, The Troops at this Post being in immediate want of St. Flour, we request you to forward to this Place one hundred Barrels to be delivered to John Chrysal, if you have not the Quantity you will apply to Mr. Donnellan to forward it.
James Calhoun Esq.

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702. Sir, Your Letter of the 5th is received since we wrote General Buchanan we have no Intelligence from the Southward, Enclosed you have an Extract from a Letter from Genl. Washington to Congress this Day received thro' our Delegates which with the Enemy not coming ^{up} gives us Reason to believe that the Troops lately embarked at Portsmouth are not destined against this State, we would not have the Stores removed until you hear further from us, or have a certain Account of the Approach of the Enemy, but wish you to have them in Readiness to remove at the shortest Notice to the Place we must leave to you as you are much better acquainted with the County than we are, agreeably to your Request we have sent you 750 L. We request you to purchase and send forward four Hogs heads of Ruffin or Brandy, two Hogs heads of best Indian Rum.
Col. Samuel Smith.

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Sir, We have at your Solicitation, considered the Terms upon which the Stone Point is to be disposed of, and cannot agree with you.