

to receive a Bounty, as you do not mention whether they are recruits  
 Draughts or Substitutes but whatever the Law will warrant shall  
 be paid them on their arrival in this City, you will add an active  
 and careful officer from the Militia to march all the recruits, Draughts  
 Draughts, and Substitutes raised in your County under the late  
 Acts of Assembly immediately to this Place. The Commissions would  
 have been sent transmitted to you by this opportunity, but you  
 have not pointed out how the Vacancy happened, which pre-  
 vents it. whenever you inform us they shall be sent. On the  
 Commissions to Mr. Scott being returned a proper one will  
 issue to John Scott. we send you £45, to pay the Bounty  
 for the two recruits enlisted for three Years.

John D. Thompson. Esq.

In Council, 15<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1781.

Sir,

We have the Pleasure to enclose your Commission for obtaining Arms,  
 Ammunition, Clothing and Loans of Money with our Invoice, and a Copy  
 of the Resolution of the general Assembly, properly authenticated, approving our  
 Appointment, providing unquestionable Funds for the punctual Payments  
 of the Interest annually which will accrue on the Money you may borrow  
 and pointing out the Mode for complying with the Engagements you shall  
 make for the articles enumerated in the Invoice, not exceeding the quan-  
 tity of Flour and Tobacco limited by the Resolution. You will observe that  
 the Flour and Tobacco is to be delivered in this State at a stipulated  
 Price, or at the current Market Price at the Time and Place of Delivery  
 and we have thought proper to instruct you not to engage Tobacco at  
 less than fourteen Livres per hundred Pounds and Flour at not  
 less than thirteen Livres per hundred Pounds. The Compensation  
 to be made for the Money obtained on Loan, is not to exceed eight  
 Percent per Annum on Tobacco, and nine on Flour. To prevent the  
 Ruine of the State, we think you ought either to insure a few  
 the Goods in several Bottoms, as may be most convenient and do  
 instruct you accordingly. If a sufficient Sum cannot be procured  
 on Loan, nor Contracts made to supply us with all the articles men-  
 tioned in the Invoice, we desire you to buy and contract for them  
 in the Order in which they stand.