

Colonel I will be with you in a few days & give the further necessary orders. Knapsacks, haversacks & priming wires shall be sent you from N^o 3 alt. & Cartouch Boxes from Kent.

To Captains Alexander & George

Sir. We received yours of the 14th of August and are of opinion your plan for forwarding the Troops is a very good one, and therefore we approve of it, any expenses that may be incurred you will be pleased to pay, and send down the accounts properly authenticated and you shall be reimbursed, besides satisfaction for your trouble. When you want cash apply with the order enclosed to the Eastern Shore Treasurer and he will let you have three hundred pounds. What further may be expended let us know and you shall be paid. - We would have you apply with all diligence to making Bayonets, and also Barrells of every kind, more especially the large ones contracted for.

To Col. Henry Stollingworth

We are yr. most obed^t. serv^{ts}

Head of Elk 19th August 1776

Sir. We received yours of the 18th and observe your complaint which arises not from us, but a very different cause. We mean your Companies not being armed. - The order of Convention is, that all the Companies are to march that can be armed and equipped. Capt^{ns} Forrest and Capt^{ns} Brooks have no arms but what they have borrowed or can borrow of the militia, we have therefore ordered them to their stations in Calvert and St. Marys to supply the place of Capt^{ns} Beall and Capt^{ns} Thomas. - Capt^{ns} Hansons Company we have ordered to march to this City and also Capt^{ns} Bowie and Tillard on their way to the Camp, when they can get armed and equipped. When that can be done, we shall give you the proper orders on the Commissary of Stores. We are sorry to have occasion so often to repeat what we had before told you, that your Companies are not to march unarmed. As soon as they get arms we shall order them to march immediately.

We are yr. most obed^t. serv^{ts}

To Colo. Curing.

19th Augst 1776

Gentlemen. About 271/2 Barr. of Gunpowder belonging to this province has arrived at Indian River in Sussex County, and is now as we are informed in the custody or possession of Col. John Dagworthy. - We request you would hire waggons to convey the same from thence to Chester Town, there to wait the further orders of this board. - a guard will be appointed by the Capt^{ns} of the Independent Company in your County to whom we have wrote on the occasion.

To the Committee of Observation
for Kent County.

We are Gent. yr. obed^t. serv^{ts}

P.S. There are two brass blunderbusses, twelve swords, and about 70⁰⁰ musket balls which are also to be brought with the powder.

Gentlemen,

19th Augst 1776

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