

by Sergeant Barnes leaving your company therefore you are hereby directed to give him a discharge.

To Capt. Dames.

Capt. Tideman.

5th Sept. 1776.

Sir, as your Lieutenant Mr. Dunes informs the Council that the arms of your company want a good many repairs we would have you halt at Chester town until you can get them done. Mr. Winters and Mr. Robert Read are employed to repair guns for the Province.

Sir.

Annapolis Sunday 8th Sept. 1776.

By letters received last night from Congress it appears that it is not only prudent but absolutely necessary that the American army at New York should be immediately reinforced, and therefore this as well as the other States are called on in the most pressing terms for their utmost exertions for the preservation of our common country. A knowledge of the necessity must be sufficient without further argument to stimulate the people of Maryland to succour their brave countrymen and defend America. The Convention, yesterday evening, not apprehensive of a requisition so important adjourned till Tuesday, 35 members who are in Town assembled this morning and have pretty generally concurred that measures agreeable to the outlines inclosed will be necessary and the most effectual that can be taken by this State in the present crisis and the few degrees that provision general will be adopted by the Convention, I am therefore desirous by the Gentlemen, who are present to request you will give notice to your Battalion to meet as soon as possible, that things may be in full and order for the execution of such measures as may be proposed by the Convention which it is beyond will be done on Tuesday and forwarded on Wednesday.

To Col. of Dist.

In Council of Safety - Annapolis Sept 5th 1776 -

Sir, This will be handed you by Capt. Watkins whom I desire you will supply with what Blankets he wants for his company we request you will if possible get enough for him and oblige yr

To Col. Brun, Hollingsworth,

Your most humble Serv^t

Sir, This will be delivered to you by Captain Watkins, whose company is in a very bad situation for clothes, which cannot be procured on any terms in this Province, we must therefore beg that you will use your utmost endeavour to procure them at Philadelphia, but if the making of them up will take up too much time - They may be made up and sent to camp

To

11 Sept. 1776.

Sir, As the State of our Treasurer and the various other accounts are daily increasing, we request you will send to the Hon. Council by the first safe opp^{ty}, what money you can conveniently spare not exceeding \$10,000 we request you to send it in unpaired Bills if you have

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