

and forward some Companies, or a large Battalion, or more,  
by the middle of the month - to enable us to do this, we  
shall be obliged to advance more than the 5000<sup>l</sup> given by  
the Convention to purchase arms, few or none can be  
brought - the Companies, many of them, not yet completed.

We expect the Convention will approve our advancing  
a further sum, to furnish arms for the flying Camps  
without so doing, they would not have been in condition to  
march at all, we think it advisable to purchase for all  
the Companies, rather than suffer them to remain here  
on expense, and be disbanded, which must have been the  
case. - We have ordered Capt. Mantz down to S.<sup>r</sup>  
Maurice, and given Capt. Thomas positive orders to march,

so that we hope he will soon be with you, on his way to  
New-York. - We congratulate you on the safe arrival

of the Molly, Capt. Conway in great Nicomaco, Virginia,  
with 25,000 lb<sup>s</sup> of Gun Powder & 270 Stand of small  
arms for the use of this Province, we shall get the  
Cargo up here, as soon as we can with safety. - we send you  
a letter for the commandr of the North American Troop,  
which came by Conway, which please to forward to  
Genl. Washington. - One of the waggons, that came

with Powder from Phil<sup>a</sup>, met with an accident,  
that