

No. 44.

Messrs. Withing and Maniff.

Gent^l. The inclosed Letters were forwarded to us by Mr. O. We beg that you will pay to Captain Peto thirteen hundred and twenty Pounds of the States Currency with 10% Interest thereon, and even to pay paper Dollars $\frac{5}{16}$ rather than let the order be returned, and charge the same to Acct^{ts} of the State, which shall be set off against Part of the money heretofore advanced to you for arms and Ammunition.

Dec^r. 6th 1776

We are &c

No. 45.

The Delegates in Congress

Gent^l. Since we wrote you by last Friday's post Capt^l Conway has arrived from Martinique with a valuable Cargo, consisting of one thousand Bushels of salt, some Linens, Woollens, Canvas, small arms, Gun Powder and flints, to the value of nearly four thousand Pounds of the States Currency, and some valuable Cargo for other use & freight. — We shall have cloathing for our Matross Companies & some to spare for the Troops, that may be raised in the Province for continental service; Capt^l Thomas brings us the agreeable news that a large quantity of cloathing hath been taken in one of the Enemies Transports, a reasonable supply we hope for the use of our distressed Troops. — We are collecting shoes with all diligence, and will send forward one thousand Pair, or more, if you request it, pray let us know the quantity wanted. — Stockings are scarce and we doubt will not be got till late, if at all. — Stephen Howard has

(signed)