

~~Receipts~~ may be given out, as first above mentioned  
to the Colonel, or commanding Officer of each Battalion, as they apply  
and take their receipts for the same. — and should be obliged to  
you, and the other Gentlemen. Delegates for this State to apply to  
Congress from time to time, as may be necessary. —

We have been deliberating about calling  
the Assembly, and are not yet determined; — we doubt the severity  
of the weather will make it exceedingly disagreeable crossing the  
Bay, and attending the Assembly in the very dead of winter, and  
therefore do not think of calling the two Houses together, unless  
the necessity should be more urgent, or the Delegates for Congress  
from this State from their knowledge of public Affairs should  
recommend the calling them before the day of their adjournment.

This very little more than thirty days before the meeting of  
Assembly in course; — were we to send Expresses immediately,  
they could not be called together sooner than the first of  
February. — and if we have any frozen Weather, it will probably  
be about that Time. — We have wrote the several Committees  
of Observation to encourage the new Levies all in their Power, and  
where no Committees, to the Colo and other Chief Militia Officers. —  
The Post is not come in, we are waiting with Impatience for  
a confirmation of the good news.

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