

- C. B. Ordered That Capt. Reid receive from the Indian Landing 500 small Cannon shott leaving an Acc^t & Receipt with the Council

Commission of a Letter of Marque and Reprisal issued to Charles Wells Master of the Brig called the Bantrus mounting six Carriage Guns & six Swivels navigated with eighteen men belonging to William Hammond and others of Baltimore

Original [Delegates in Congress to Gov. Johnson.]

8th June 1778 York.

Sir

Your letter of the 2^d instant was put into our hands this morning by Col. Smith, and referred to the board of War. We sincerely wish the State of our cloathing at or near the army may be such as to suffer that Board to give the order in the extent you desire: Col. Smith will receive their answer tomorrow. We hope, and have the strongest reason to believe, our army will never again be exposed to the same inconveniences & distress they have hitherto suffered from the want of cloathing. We understand 8 or ten thousand suits are in the 50 gun ship lately arrived in Virginia, and still larger supplies have arrived at the Eastward.

By all accounts from Camp & Philadelphia the Enemy appear to be on the eve of evacuating that city: it is conjectured they will march thro' the Jersies to South Amboy, where it is said a number of boats are in readiness to carry them over to Staten Island.

War between Prussia & Austria respecting the division of the late Elector of Bavaria's territories by the latest accounts from Europe is much to be apprehended: and M^r Franey informed us that War was certainly declared between Russia & the Porte. The French court had detained all english vessels in their ports in a consequence of a refusal by the Court of London to deliver up an American vessel captured on the coast of France by an english Privateer.

We inclose you copies of letters from L^d Howe's & Sir Henry Clinton's letters to Gen. Washington & to Congress, and our answer: these may be printed if you think proper, and we beg the favor of you to lay them before the Assembly. We are with great respect

Your Excellency's
Most obed^t humble Servants
Ch. Carroll of Carrollton
Geo. Plater