

1780, July 22
Sir

Line 22 of July 1780 ¹⁰⁷ 96

I received yours of the 28th of June yesterday with the Inclosed resolves of the General Court, am sorry to acquaint you that the restricting the price of Wheat to fifty Dollars p^r. Bushel prevents any thing being done with the orders to any purpon; although I must acknowledge that the price is very generous when taken for outstanding Taxis, but ~~no~~ very little will be gathered in that way the greatest part of the wheat is now in the hands of particular Gentlemen, many of them not belong^{ing} to these parts, therefore the money must be paid and the price given which they demand, or the wheat cannot be obtained; some money might doubtless be collected from those towns in the way proposed in the order, ~~but~~ the wheat Secord if Sum^{er} has orders to take it up at such price as he could agree upon with those that are possess^r of the grain, but it cannot be done in any other way - I have a great full sense of the respect shewn me by the Honorable Court in appointing me the office But Beg to be Excused from taking the order as I have bin two years in the Service of the continent to the great disadvantage of my own private interest which I must now ^{at present} ~~take~~ a little attention to therefore hope the Honorable Comm^{ty} will appoint some other parson for that purpon^e who

is better qualified for that purpose than
my self I have the Honour to be Sir
your Most Obedt Servt

Jon^d Child

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I propose to be at Exeter
soon as ever I get through with
wheat harvest

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