

Head Quarters Windsor 8 June 1481

Dear Sir

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I was truly favored with your letter of the 15th May, and have just now had the pleasure to receive that of the 29th. — I entreat you not to relinquish, or relax your sollicitudes, and importunities, until the great objects of your mission are fully accomplished. — As the plan of the Campaign is now settled upon the presumption of the success of your applications, a failure in the smallest degree on the part of the State, will involve us in the deepest distress, and probably frustrate every advantage we might otherwise obtain. — I only wish the Legislature may be impressed with these ideas, and stimulated to exertions proportioned to the occasion. — The settled provisions at Springfield were included in those which were designed to be immediately transported to the army, that is to the nearest point of embarkation on the North River. I wish the transportation of these, as well as the supplies of Rum and Cloathing may be expedited as much as possible. — not a drop of Rum has yet come on, — and the Physicians report

report that the artificers (who work exceedingly hard) are facing sickness for want of it. Besides you must be sensible that it is extremely necessary for other purposes, — as to Summer clothing, I request you to make known to the States that almost every article in the public store, which was of any value, has been sent on to the Southern Army — and that there is no other possible alternative but for the troops to be provided with it by their own States, or become literally naked.

I am persuaded you will not lose sight of the supply of Beef cattle called for from the Eastern States, nor give a moment's delay to them, until ample provision is made for obtaining the whole of it. — The means of transportation are equally important.

A quantity of clothing, (about 2000 suits) having arrived at Boston from Spain, — you will be pleased to give orders to the D.D.M.G. to have it forwarded immediately to the Army, the packages must not be broken — In case Teams cannot be procured to transport the whole, at least 1000 suits complete with the same number of Hats and a proportion of Sergeants Coats, must be sent on, — The Coats, waistcoats and Breeches should be divided by their size, into three distinct parcels.

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parcels, - vizt the largest, middle^{ing}
and smallest, and marked accordingly.
I request you to pay particular
attention to it, and to make appli-
cation to the State for the means of
conveyance (should the E. Master find
be unable to provide teams) but I
should suppose the ox team hired for
the Campaign might be made use of
for the purpose, a Conductor should
come with the clothing to prevent
waste or delay in the transportation.

you may be assured you will
not be forgotten in the arrangements
for the Campaign,

and that I am

with very great regard

Yours

Dear Sir

Yours most Obedt. Servt.

J. Washington

Major Gen Heath

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From Genl Washington to
Genl Heath of the Army 1781
relative to provisions,
Cloathing &c