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Gentlemen

Inclosed is a Copy of Genl's orders of 31st Aug. by which you will see, on whom the Army are to depend for Shoes, (viz.) the States to which they respectively belong - the demands of the Southern Army, on the Clothier Genl. for that Article has been such, as to put it out of his power to furnish the Northern Troops. The Number wanted for the New Hampshire Troops, will be at least 600 pair every three months, exclusive of Officers. - 1200 Shirts and 600 wooling Overalls for the Season, I think will be sufficient - which I am to request may be sent on with all possible dispatch. The other Articles of Clothing may probably be obtained at the Continental Store - the Officers are in great want of Shoes, & must be furnished from the State; or go without. as they in Genl. have no money to purchase with, for themselves - I am almost worn out with the continual Applications to me for Shoes & other Clothing, & Complaints for want of Hard Money - their Necessities really are great, & will daily increase until some relief can be obtained, either by Hard Money, or Clothing, or both - if no Clothing can be sent from the State, I wish to know it by the first opportunity, that I may immediately represent the matter to the Clothier Genl. by which means I may possibly get a partial Supply, of all, excepting the Shoes. This it must depend much on what articles have ^{totally} arrived at Boston. without them I see little or no prospect of it at present, and hope the State will be able to furnish said Articles - it is reported here that a considerable Sum of Money has arrived at Boston for the use of the United States, & is so far credited, as to cheer the Army very considerably. I hope they will not be disappointed in their expectations ^{respecting}

suspecting it. — by the last accounts his Excellencies Head
Quarters were at Trenton. — an English fleet has arrived
at New York of about 15 sail of the Line. & it is confidently
reported that the French fleet has sailed from New port.
The Troops in Gen. are healthy & tolerably supply'd with provisions
tho not plentifully. —

I am Gentlemen your
obedient humble Ser.^t

Jedidiah Jewett C. S. H.

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P^s Since I wrote the above am informed by the Assistant
Clothier Gen. that Congress has resolved that the Troops in
future shall be clothed from one Gen. Store & that all
Soldiers Clothing sent by any State shall be turned in
thither & issued immediately to the Regimental Clothiers.
if so should wish to know if the State chose to have me
carry to receive & deliver Clothing sent for officers or not. —
has come in very plentifully of late

To the Honorable the Board War
for New Hampshire