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I have been honored with
yours of the 4th instant, am happy in the
early measures taken by the Honorable
Committee of Safety, to have Beef Cattle
immediately purchased and forwarded
for the relief of the army, and hope the
purchasers have been able to procure
a quantity equal to what was requested,
and as your Honorable General Assembly
convenes this day, I assure myself, that
they will take effectual measures to
ensure, the permanent supplies for
the Campaign, and have them seasonably
forwarded. The late circular requisition
to complete the Battalion, and also to hold
a Body of the militia in readiness to march
if called for, evince, that the grant of
a less quantity of provisions than has
been requested, will be insufficient, and may
be productive of ill consequence. I therefore
intreat that the full requisition may be
granted, and forwarded, with punctuality
weekly.

The
Honorable Nathaniel Weare Esquire

The General Assembly here, have proposed
a convention of Committees to meet in the course
of this month, to establish a regular system
of supply, of which you will probably be
informed by His Excellency Governor Hancock
per this post, but I pray that in the interim
the supplies requested may be punctually sent
on — as I am specially instructed to obtain
official returns of the state of the settled Prov.
and Town, in the several New England States,
designed for the army, permit me to request
those from New Hampshire agreeable to mine
of the 22nd ulto. as soon as may be convenient,
and that your proportion of Rum which is
indispensibly necessary for the health, as
well as comfort of the Troop, may be forwarded
to the army.

I have the honor to be
with the highest respect
your Honor
most Obedient Servant

Wheat
General

From Genl. Heath of
13 June 1781