

Philadelphia January 9. 1781

Circular,

Sir,

You will receive herewith enclosed the Copies of two Acts of Congress of the 5th & 8th Instant.

By the former you will be informed that from the unwarrantable & cruel Treatment which our People who are Prisoners with the Enemy have of late received from them, in the Opinion of Congress, an Exercise of the Law of Retaliation has become necessary, and it is specially recommended to the Executive of the States respectively to take effectual Measures for carrying into Execution the Acts of Congress of the 13th of January 1780 respecting Prisoners taken by the Citizens Troops or Ships of particular States

By the other Act (of the 8th Instant) it is earnestly recommended to the several States from New-Hampshire to North Carolina inclusive to procure for the Use of the Officers in Captivity at New York & on Long Island, to be charged to the United States) their respective Quotas therein mentioned, in Specie & Bills of Exchange on New York.

It is presumed the Necessities of those Officers, the Distresses they have already suffered, and the

more disagreeable Situation they must yet be reduced to unless those Supplies are obtained, will be sufficient to induce a Compliance with this Requisition as speedy as possible -

I have the Honour to be
with the highest Respect
Sir
your most obedient

& very humble Servant

The Honorable

The President of New Hampshire

Sam^l. Huntington President

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of money for their Relief

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Letter from Pres. Samuel Huntington
to President of New Hampshire, communicating
Acts of Congress.

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