

Town and we can purchase cheaper on Potomack we propose to send the ship round to that river, where we hope to get her loading of long dull tobacco at 20 or 21 per lb. We therefore request you would call on the Marshall and present the inclosed order on him for the price of the ship being 4400 £ which he is to credit the State for out of the monies he has now in hand. We request also you would desire him to make out his account that we may see which way the balance is, if any be due to him we will pay if due to us we expect to receive. We wish to know the quantity of Tob: you have purchased and the price you gave, that we may direct what is to be done with it

10<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1777

Perce. Hollingsworth  
Balt. Town

We are yr most Obedt Servts

Sir

17 Jan'y 1777

We have some days ago sent forward five hundred pairs of shoes to Philadelphia to be delivered to your order they are in the course of stages and we hope will soon be there they have been delivered to Perce. Hollingsworth and the boat is ret<sup>d</sup> to Annapolis a day or two ago there are all we can spare the regulars are calling on us fast for shoes. We have wrote you fully be last post and sent up some comm<sup>s</sup> we now send the Comm<sup>s</sup> for Col Beatty and Col<sup>l</sup> Johnson's Battalions and wrote him on the subject what you say about prestalling has been taken under con<sup>s</sup> on the recommendation of the Honble Congress and an order published which you may see in the Maryland Gazette.

Brigadier Gen<sup>l</sup> Johnson We are yr most Obedt Servts

Sir

Jan'y 17. 1777

We send you a commission as first Col<sup>l</sup> and a number of other commissions for the Lincolne Battallions tis very strange your people should have so strong a desire to march to the reinforcement of General Washington and cannot agree about officers we are desirous of removing all objections and on a proper commendation of the other field officers we will send up commissions we send no commissions for David Moore's company because we know not to whom to send them Moore has refused to act and we should be glad to know who the people will recommend for that company

We are yr most Obedt Servts.

P. S.

There are ensignes wanting for Manchester company and Sney's company, which we will send on your command Charles Warfield may take his choice to act as quarter master under