

we highly disapprove of this conduct of Captain Patton
and rely on your making a proper representation of our
sentiments on this subject to the Genl & Governor of Maritime
R. Harrison

Sr

Feb'y 8th 1777

We have just received your obliging favour of the 4th inst &
are truly sorry to find you have met with such delay in
your march. We will endeavour to prevent what might be a
march from this State to Camp in future calling at Phila-
delphia for the reasons you suggest, which appear to us
weighty. If Congress have aims at Baltimore or Chester we
doubt not their willingness to let the militia who are now
on their way have them & for this purpose we shall apply
We wish you all success & a safe return to your Family &
are &c

Brigadier Tho^s Johnson

Feb'y 12th 1777

Mr Stephen Steward informs us that he has applied to you
for twenty barrels & that you have promised to let him
have them the beginning of next week. We now desire that
you will not furnish any other person until you have comple-
ted your contract with us

We are &c

Mr Sam^l Dorsey

Sr

Feb'y 12th 1777

We have received yours of the 11th inst & have wrote to
Mr Samuel Dorsey as you request. We are about fitting out
two armed vessels & as we know of no person who can do this
business as well as you, we beg you will come up as soon as you
can

We are &c

Mr Stephen Steward

Feb'y 12th 1777

Sr. In answer to your favour of Jan 21 which has laid some
time for consideration, we can only say that as we daily expect
another executive power to be created & our way being so blocked
up by British Ships of War as to render the exports from hence
very uncertain, if not impracticable we are of opinion that
we had better not for the present go any further into purcha-
sing, if you have procured any we will take it. We return
you our thanks for your kind offer & are &c.

Chas Bontee Esq.

M C of S. Feb'y 12. 1777

We are honoured with your favour of the 10th inst, which we have
laid before the General Assembly and shall pay due regard to the