

George Washington Papers, Subseries 3G, Varick Transcripts, Letterbook 5

GENERAL ORDERS²²

Head Quarters, Morris Town, April 11, 1780.

Parole Watch. Countersigns Youngster, Yearling.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Ogden, Lieutenant Colonel Commandt. Weissenfells, Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade.

A Corporal and four men from the first Pennsylvania Brigade are to be sent to the Quarter Master General's clothing store tomorrow and are to be relieved every other day by the same brigade untill further orders.

The Brigade Quarter masters are immediately to make Returns to the Quarter master General of all the public riding Horses, Saddles and Bridles in the Brigades to which they belong specifying the particular persons name and rank in whose possession they are; also at what Time they were received by whose order; and for what particular purpose. These Returns are to be countersigned by the Brigadiers or Officers commanding Brigades.

The attendance of the Brigade Major of the Day for Orders is dispensed with.

The Honorable the Congress having been pleased to pass the following Resolve; all persons concerned are required to take Notice thereof.

In Congress, March 22nd., 1780.

Resolved, That the office of commissioner of cloathing accounts, established by a resolve of Congress of the 2d of March, 1779, be discontinued after six months from the date hereof; and that all persons having cloathing accounts for the year 1777, and who do not exhibit them to the said commissioner within that period, shall not receive any compensation for any arrearages they may hereafter claim to be due to them.

Colonel Scammell having returned will resume the duties of his Office.

22. From this date until November, 1781, the Varick Transcripts of the General Orders in the Library of Congress records the duty assignments of the Officers of the Day.

The Commander in Chief requests Colonel Williams to accept his Thanks for the attention assiduity and propriety with which he has conducted the office in the absence of Colonel Scammell.

AFTER ORDERS

Mr. Pomeroy, Commissioner of clothing accounts for the year 1777 quarters at Mr. George King's opposite the Paymaster General's Office in Morristown.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 12, 1780.

Parole Maryland. Countersigns Williams, Baltimore.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel H. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Robinson²³ Brigade Major,
Maxwell's Brigade

As the late draught from the Line to reenforce the Commander in Chief's Guard is only Temporary the men are to be furnished with Pay and Clothing from their respective regiments in the same manner as if they had not been drawn out.

Captain Lieutenant Waters²⁴ of the 1st. Regiment of Artillery is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 21st. of Sept. 1778.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 13, 1780.

Parole Morristown. Countersigns Mars, Music.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Lieutenant Colonel Smith Brigade Major, 1st. Pennsylva. Brigade

23. Lieut. Col. Thomas Robinson, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Brandywine in September, 1777; transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; made colonel in September, 1783; served to November, 1783.

24. Capt.-Lieut. Richard Waters, of the First Continental Artillery. He was taken prisoner at Camden, S. C., in August, 1780, and prisoner on parole to the close of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 14, 1780.

Parole Amsterdam. Countersigns Arms, Arts.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Spencer³⁷ Lieutenant Colonel North³⁸ Brigade Major, 2d Pennsylva. Brigade

Lieutenant Colonel Hay³⁹ is appointed Member of the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Livingston is President, vice Lieutenant Colonel Huntington

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 15, 1780.

Parole Barcelona. Countersigns Bergen, Brest.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Lieutenant Colonel Huntington Brigade Major Fish.⁴⁰

Lieutenant Colonel Howard is to join the 6th. Maryland Regiment 'till a further arrangement of that line takes place.

The Quartermaster General will have the public roads between Morristown and Somerset Court House immediately repair'd; The Adjutant General will upon application furnish parties for that purpose

The commanding officers of Brigades, Regiments and companies in the Maryland Division will take especial Care that the Huts in their Encampment are not injured in any manner by the soldiers when they march or before they do it: This Divisin to march tomorrow morning by the route which will be pointed out by the Quarter master General.

At a Division General Court martial held in the Maryland

37. Col. Oliver Spencer.

38. Lieut. Col. Caleb North, of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and retired in January, 1783.

39. Lieut. Col. Samuel Hay, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment.

40. Maj. Nicholas Fish, of the Second New York Regiment. He served to the close of the war.

line by order of Brigadier General Gist April 11th. Lieutenant Colonel Howard President;
Lieutenant Hoops⁴¹ of the 4th. Maryland Regiment appeared before the Court charged with:

1st. Unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior in swearing when he came off of camp guard he would not do another Tour of duty as a subaltern and telling the Adjutant he would return himself unfit for duty in the next Weekly return.

To which charge Lieutenant Hoops pleads Not Guilty.

2dly. For returning himself sick and refusing to do duty on that account when in the presence of one or more of the officers of the regiment, at the same time pronounced himself not sick but said he had other reasons for so doing.

All of which charge Lieutenant Hoops admits.

3dly. Though being returned sick went to Morristown Ball⁴² and remaining one night and best part of two days from his regiment without permission from the commanding officer of the same.

Lieutenant Hoops admits going to Morristown Ball and being absent without leave but denies that part of the charge which particularizes the Time.

The Court having considered the 1st. charge against

41. Lieut. Adam Hoops. He was promoted and ranked as captain from November, 1779; taken prisoner at Camden, S.C., in August, 1780; transferred to the Second Maryland Regiment in January, 1781; but was a prisoner on parole to the end of the war.

42. A facsimile of the subscription, by the officers at Headquarters, to establish a dancing assembly in Morristown, is in Smith & Watson's *American Historical and Literary Curiosities*, Phila.: 1861, 6th edn. It reads: "The Subscribers agree to pay the Sums annexed to their respective Names, and an equal quota of any further Expence which may be incurred in the promotion and support of a

dancing assembly to be held at Morristown this present Winter 1780. Subscription Monies to be paid into the hands of a Treasurer, hereafter to be appointed." It was signed by Washington and 34 other officers.

Lieutenant Hoops, the Evidence and his Defence, are of opinion, he is not Guilty they therefore do acquit him with Honor.

The Court having considered the 2nd. charge against Lieutenant Hoops the Evidence and his Defence are of opinion that he was sick and that he was justifiable in saying he was not so; they therefore do acquit him.

The Court having considered the 3d. Charge against Lieutenant Hoops, the Evidence and his Defence, are of opinion that he was not Guilty of remaining one night and best part of two days from his regiment and that he was justifiable in leaving camp without leave from the commanding officer of the regiment the officer commanding being of inferior rank to himself; they therefore do acquit him with Honor.

The Commander in Chief approves the acquittal.

A Serjeant, Corporal and twelve privates from the Maryland line to be sent to the Adjutant General's quarters this afternoon to take charge of some prisoners of War.

AFTER ORDERS

A Captain, Sub, three Serjeants and fifty Rank and File from each Division except the Maryland to parade tomorrow morning 9 o'clock on the Grand Parade with their Arms, blanketts and two days provision where they will receive orders from the Quarter master General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 16, 1780.

Parole Labradore. Countersigns Lima, Minden.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Maxwell Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major,
Stark's Brigade

A Detachment to parade tomorrow morning 9 o'clock on the Grand parade with their Arms,
Blanketts, two days provisions and forty rounds pr man.

Major J. Moore⁵⁴ to take command of them.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 17, 1780.

Parole Mexico. Countersigns Nile, Otway.

Of the day Tomorrow Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade Brigadier General Hand Lieutenant Colonel
Conway⁵⁵

Four Battalions to be paraded on the Grand parade tomorrow morning 9 o'clock at which time
Colonels Johnson, Courtlandt, Ogden and Jackson; Lieutenant Colonels

Barber, Smith, Harmar and Huntington and Major Fish are to attend.

Capt. Sub. Serjt. P. General St. Clair's Division to give 6. 18. 26. 288 Hands Brigade " 2.
4. 4. 48 Stark's ditto " (Blue and red) 2. 4. 4. 48 Maxwell's ditto " 3. 10. 13. 144 Stark's ditto
" (Blue and Buff) 2. 3. 4. 48 Clinton's ditto " 5. 13. 17. 192

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At a General Court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Livingston is President, the 10th instant;
Mr. Randall,⁵⁶ State Clothier from the State of Maryland appeared before the Court charged with.

“Unofficerlike behavior in distributing the cloth sent up by the State of Maryland for the use of her Officers in an unjust

54. Maj. James Moore, of the First Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

55. Lieut. Col. John Conway, of the First New Jersey Regiment. He retired in January, 1871.

56. John Randall.

ifiable partial manner in consequence of which many officers are injured”.

The Court having fully and maturely considered the charge against Mr. Randall and the Evidence do Acquit him with Honor.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court.

Mr. Randall is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, April 18, 1780.

Parole Nantasker. Countersigns Neptune, Po.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irwin⁷⁷ Major Simeon Thayer⁷⁸ Brigade Major from Maxwell's Brigade

A Surgeon and Mate from General Maxwell's brigade to join the detachment under command of Major Moore immediately.

A Serjeant Corporal and Twelve men from General Maxwell's Brigade to mount at Baron Steuben's Quarters this afternoon and to be relieved daily from the same 'till further orders.

A Corporal and six men from General Hand's brigade to be sent as a fatigue party daily to Morristown with their detachment for Guard 'till further orders. This party to remain with the Main Guard for occasional fatigue.

The General Orders will be given out at one of the Huts in the 2d Maryland brigade lately occupied by Major Deane.⁷⁹

77. Brig. Gen. William Irvine.

78. Of the Second Rhode Island Regiment. He was wounded at Monmouth, N.J., in June, 1778, and retired in May, 1781.

79. Maj. John Deane (Dean), of the Fourth Maryland Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Maryland Regiment in January, 1781, and died in November, 1781.

AFTER ORDERS

The Members of the Ancient and honorable society of Free and Accepted Mason's (in the different Lines and Staff of the Army) are invited to the funeral of the late Major Piat⁸⁰ of their fraternity at Morristown on Wednesday the 19th instant 3 o'clock P M.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Wednesday, April 19, 1780.

Parole Washington. Countersign Greene.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Chambers⁸³ Major Torrey⁸⁴ Brigade Major from 1st. Pennsylva.
Brigade

AFTER ORDERS

The manoeuvring Battalions are to be paraded tomorrow morning ten o clock precisely in the field near Colonel Abeel's⁸⁵ house.⁸⁶ A Detachment from the Artillery sufficient to manage eight field pieces to parade at the same Time and place without Cannon.

Brigadier General Clinton to take command of the Battalions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, April 20, 1780.

Parole Louis. Countersigns Vergennes, Luzerne.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Major C. Stewart Brigade Major, 2d. Pennsylvania Brigade

80. Maj. Daniel Platt, of the First New Jersey Regiment. He died Apr. 16, 1780.

83. Col. James Chambers, of the First Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Brandywine in September, 1777, and retired in January, 1781.

84. Maj. Joseph Torrey, of the Second Canadian Regiment. He was made lieutenant colonel in May, 1782, and retired in June, 1783.

85. Col. James Abeel. He was Deputy Quartermaster General.

86. This was in the nature of a practice drill for the maneuvers which took place before the French Minister on April 24.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Livingston is President is dissolved and another ordered to assemble at the same hut in the Connecticut line where they last sat for the Trial of Major Church⁸⁹ and such others as shall come before them.

Colonel Shreve to preside, Lieutenant Colonel Conway, Major Reed, Two Captains from the 1st. Pennsylvania brigade two from the and. Two from Hand's one from Maxwell's one from Clinton's and two from Stark's to attend as Members.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, April 21, 1780.

Parole Charles. Countersigns D'Almadover, Mirailes.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Spencer⁹⁷ Major Grier⁹⁸ Brigade Major, Clinton's Brigade

Lieutenant Colonel Robinson⁹⁹ will join the manoeuvring Battalion commanded by Colonel Cortlandt.

AFTER ORDERS

Major Parr¹ is appointed a Member of the General court martial whereof Colonel Shreve is president vice Major Reed² challenged by Major Church A Captain from the 2d. Pennsylvania Brigade to attend the same Court vice a Captain of that Brigade also challenged.

The Court will sit tomorrow morning 9 o clock.

89. Maj. Thomas Church, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

97. Col. Oliver Spencer.

98. Maj. James Grier, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

99. Lieut. Col. Thomas Robinson, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment.

1. Maj. James Parr, of the Seventh Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

2. Maj. James Randolph Reid (Reed).

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, April 22, 1780.

Parole Sartine. Countersigns D'Estaing, Marebois.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Stewart⁶ Major Trescott⁷ Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

The Guards to be very alert in turning out to the Minister of France and Committee of Congress and paying them the same Honors as the Commander in Chief.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, April 23, 1780.

Parole Je Vaux. Countersigns D'Orvilliers, Du Chaffault.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Craig Major Hamilton¹⁵ Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, April 24, 1780.

Parole Maurepas. Countersigns Montbarre, Neckar.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Lieut Colonel Commandant Weissenfels Brigade
Major, Maxwell's Brigade

For Detachment Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Butler¹⁶ and Major T. Moore.¹⁷

6. Col. Walter Stewart.

7. Maj. Lemuel Trescott, of Jackson's Additional Continental regiment, which was designated the Sixteenth Massachusetts Regiment in July, 1780. He was transferred to the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781, to the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

15. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

16. Lieut. Col. Commandant William Butler, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment.

17. Maj. Thomas Lloyd Moore, of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment.

A Subaltern from General Clinton's Brigade to be sent immediately to Pluckemin to relieve one from Hand's brigade superintending the Hospital at that place. He will receive his instructions from the Officer to be relieved.

At a General Court martial of the Line held the 17th. instant; Colonel J. Livingston,¹⁸ president, Doctor McCarty¹⁹ of the 4th. Pennsylvania regiment appear'd before the Court charg'd with "Scandalous and Ungentlemanlike behavior in seizing Captain Pell on the evening of the 29th. of January last with several others and forcibly putting him out of the room of a public house and for taking his sword from him with the assistance of others and breaking it and for taking a stick and following him into the passage of the House after he was forced out of the room"

To which he pleaded "Not Guilty."

The Court having fully and maturely considered the charge against Doctor McCarty and the Evidence are of opinion that the Charge is not supported and do acquit him of the same

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court

Doctor McCarty is released from Arrest.

18. Col. James Livingston.

19. Dr. Charles McCarter (McCarty). He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, April 25, 1780.

Parole Tingre. Countersigns Noailles, Beauview.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigade General Hand Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubley Brigade Major, 1st. Pennsylvania brigade

All the Officers and men belonging to Colonel Dayton's regiment now in Camp are to march tomorrow morning and join the detachment under Major Burrows who with the officers and men from the other regiments of the Jersey Brigade will immediately return to Camp.

The Commander in Chief at the request of the Minister of France has the pleasure to inform Major General the Baron de Steuben and the officers and men of the four Battalions that the appearance and manœuvres of the Troops yesterday met His entire Approbation and afforded him the highest Satisfaction.²⁰

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Wednesday, April 26, 1780.

Parole Sunbury. Countersigns Sussex, Steuben

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel Robinson Brigade Major, 2d Pennsa. Brigade

His Excellency the Minister of France was pleas'd to express in the warmest Terms His
Approbation of the Troops in the review of yesterday.²¹ Applause so honorable cannot but prove a

20. The maneuvers performed by the 4 battalions are described in a paper in the writing of Alexander Hamilton (Apr. 24, 1780) in the *Washington Papers*. It is evidently a copy of Baron Steuben's order of the exercises and is indorsed by Washington.

“At a general review at Morris Town, on Monday last, the troops went through their various firings and evolutions with the greatest exactness, which gave infinite satisfaction to several Foreign Gentlemen of distinction that were present.”— *The New Jersey Journal*, Apr. 26, 1780.

21. On April 25 the whole Continental Army maneuvered. The directions for this are also in the *Washington Papers*, under date of Apr. 24, 1780, in an unidentified hand, indorsed by Washington.

new motive to the emulous exertions of the Army.

The General has seen with peculiar satisfaction the Zeal of all ranks to manifest their respectful attachment to a Gentleman, who to the title of being the Representative of the illustrious Friend and Ally of these States adds that of having given distinguished proofs during his residence amongst us of the sincerest disposition to advance their Interest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, April 27, 1780.

Parole Woodbridge. Countersigns Tunis, Ulm.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Livingston Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major, Clinton's
Brigade

A Detachment to be paraded Tomorrow morning 9 o'Clock on the Grand Parade with two days' Provisions and 40 rounds pr. man to be commanded by Major Trescott. A Surgeon or mate from the 1st. Pennsylvania Brigade to join the Detachment.

On Monday next the 1st. of May the Arms, Accoutrements and Ammunition of the Pennsylvania Division will be inspected by the Inspector General.

On Tuesday the 2d. of May, Hand's and Maxwell's and on Wednesday the 3d. of May Clinton's and Stark's.

The Divisions on the Day of Inspection are to furnish no Guards except their proportion of the Detachment at

Peramus which is to be Inspected tomorrow on the Grand Parade and every man to be present without exception.

All supernumerary Arms &ca. to be produced; for this the Colonels will be answerable.

The Conductors will be present at the Inspection to receive the Arms &ca. found not fit for service which are to be delivered in to the Field Commissary except such as can be immediately repaired.

Each Regiment to make out a Return of Arms &ca. Wanting; the Returns to be made out before the Inspector General leaves the Parade; signed by the commanding officer of the

regiment and countersigned by the Major of Brigade.

These Returns to be delivered to the Sub Inspector the day after the Inspection of the Divisions respectively who are to make out like Returns of the Divisions sign and deliver them the day after to the Inspector General.

Where there is no Conductor the Major of Brigade will appoint a Quarter master to do that duty.

The Eldest Major of Brigade in Clinton's and Stark's brigades will do the duty of Sub-inspector for the Division composed of those Brigades.

Congress having been pleased to appoint George Augustine Washington an Ensign in the second Regiment of Virginia, he is to do Duty in the Commander in Chief's Guards untill further Orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, April 28, 1780.

Parole Amsterdam. Countersigns A., X.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Johnson⁴² Lieutenant Colonel Huntington⁴³ Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

A Serjeant Corporal and Twelve men from General St. Clair's Division for Fatigue Tomorrow to be under the direction of Mr. Shute.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, April 29, 1780.

Parole Havannah. Countersigns Harlaem, Kent.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Cortlandt Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major, Hands Brigade

At the General Court martial whereof Brigadier General Hand was president Captain Alexander Mitchel⁴⁴ of the first New Jersey Regiment was tried for “Ungentlemanlike behavior in stabbing Lieutenant Burroughs⁴⁵ of the same regiment with a hanger and for repeating the Blow in a cowardly and scandalous manner whereby his life was endangered.”

The Court are of opinion that although the Facts of Captain Mitchel's stabbing Lieutenant Burroughs with a hanger and having repeated the Blow are proved yet considering the provocation he received from Lieutenant Burroughs they are of opinion that Captain Mitchel's conduct was not Unofficerlike, Ungentlemanlike, Cowardly or Scandalous and They do therefore acquit

42. Col. Francis Johnston, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment.

43. Lieut. Col. Ebenezer Huntington, of Webb's Additional Continental regiment.

44. He served to April, 1783.

45. Lieut. Eden Burrowes (Burroughs). He served to November, 1783.

Captain Mitchel of those Charges.

The Commander in Chief is sorry to find himself obliged to disapprove the Sentence; He does not consider the provocation sufficient to justify the attempt upon the life of Lieutenant Burroughs while unprepared to defend himself; Other less exceptionable modes of satisfaction might and ought to have been adopted by Captain Mitchel. He is released from Arrest.

Lord Stirling's Division to relieve the Main Guard and picquet at Morristown Tomorrow. The Division commanded by General Clinton on Monday. The Pennsylvania Division Tuesday, General Clinton's Division to relieve the small

detached Guards of the Pennsylvania Division Tomorrow. The Pennsylvania Division to relieve those from Lord Stirling's Monday afternoon; and Lord Stirling's those from Clinton's Division Tuesday afternoon.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, April 30, 1780.

Parole Mirailles. Countersigns Madrid, Moro.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson⁴⁶ Lieutenant Colonel Murray⁴⁷ Brigade Major, Maxwell's Brigade

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions:

In Congress, April 10, 1780.

46. Col. Henry Jackson, of an Additional Continental regiment.

47. Lieut. Col. John Murray, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

Resolved, That when Congress shall be furnished with proper documents to liquidate the depreciation of the continental bills of credit, they will, as soon thereafter as the state of the public finances will admit, make good to the line of the army, and the independent corps thereof, the deficiency of their original pay, occasioned by such depreciation; and that the money and articles heretofore paid or furnished, or hereafter to be paid or furnished by Congress or the states or any of them, as for pay, subsistence or to compensate for deficiencies, shall be deemed as advanced on accmpt, until such liquidation as aforesaid shall be adjusted; it being the determination of Congress, that all the troops serving in the continental army shall be placed on an equal footing; provided that no persons shall have any benefit of this resolution except such as were engaged during the war, or for three years, and are now in service, or shall hereafter engage during the war.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to report a proper compensation to the staff of the army in consequence of the depredation of the currency.⁴⁸

Lieutenant James McFarland⁴⁹ 1st. Pennsylvania Regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. of March last vice Lieutenant Hughes⁵⁰ resigned.

48. The members chosen were Samuel Holten, Nathaniel Peabody, and Thomas Burke.

49. Lieut. James McFarlane (McFarland). He served to November, 1783.

50. Lieut. John Hughes.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, May 1, 1780.

Parole Schuyler. Countersigns Matthews, Peabody.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Major Thayer Brigade Major, I Pennsylv. Brigade

James Coleman a Soldier in the 11th. Pennsylvania regiment was tried on the 29th. ulto. at the General Court martial whereof Colonel Shreve is president for "Repeated Desertion Forgery and disposing of his Arms and Accoutrements" Pled Guilty. The Court are of opinion that he is Guilty of a breach of the 1st. Article 6th Section and 3d. Article 12th Section of the Articles of War and do sentence him to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence.

As the Stormy weather has prevented the Inspection of the Pennsylvania Division this day; the Inspection of that Division is postponed 'till tomorrow and of the others to the succeeding days

agreeable to the order of the 27th. the small detached Guards to be relieved one day later than mentioned in the General order of 29th. ulto.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, May 2, 1780.

Parole Poland. Countersigns B., O.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Spencer Major Torrey Brigade Major, 2d Pennsylv. Brigade

The Pennsylvania Line gives the Main Guard and Picquet tomorrow.

The Noncommissioned Officers and privates of Colonel Sherburn's regiment who belong to the State of Massachusetts are for the present to join Colonel Jackson's regiment; those belonging to the State of Rhode Island Colonel Angell's and those belonging to the State of Connecticut Colonel Webb's they are to be included in the Muster Rolls and Payrolls of the above regiment, from the 1st. Instant.

'Till further orders all Guards and detachments are to be furnish'd with as many Cartridges as their boxes will contain and no more unless expressly ordered.

Francis Lambert of Colonel Gansevoort's regiment is to be sent to the Quarter master General's store in Morristown where he will remain 'till the regiment moves from this ground.

The Prisoners in the Provost Guard to be tried as soon as possible.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Wednesday, May 3, 1780.

Parole Boston. Countersigns I., U.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Stewart Major Reed Brigade Major Fish

The Main Guard and Picquets to be relieved from Lord Stirling's Division and the Pennsylvania Division

A Sub three Serjeants and Forty rank and file with their Arms Blankets and two days Provisions from these Divisions to be sent to Morristown tomorrow morning: The Officer will receive orders from the Quarter master General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, May 4, 1780.

Parole Freehold. Countersigns Fez, Foy.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Wessenfels Major J. Moore Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

Lord Stirling's and the Pennsylvania Divisions give the Main Guard and picquet Tomorrow.

A Serjeant, Corporal and Twelve rank and file from Lord Stirling's Division for fatigue to be sent to the Adjutant General's quarters Tomorrow morning.

As part of the Army were absent when the General order relative to the pay of Officers sent on Command was publish'd on the 18th. of September last the General repeats the Order.

The little attention paid to the Resolve of Congress of the 4th. of September last published in the General Orders of the 25th. and the number of accompts exhibited on Certificates repugnant to that Resolve; and the order accompanying it, oblige the Commander in Chief to declare that henceforth no Warrants shall be given for payment of any Accompts produced in consequence of that Resolve unless the officers applying have been detached by a special order from himself or commanding officer of a department. The mode of obtaining such order will be by a Certificate from the Major

General or Brigadier from whose Division or Brigade the officer is to be sent specifying the nature and necessity of the service to be performed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, May 5, 1780.

Parole Palmyra. Countersigns C., Q.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Butler Major T. Moore Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade

A Serjeant, Corporal and Twelve men from the Pennsylvania Division for Fatigue tomorrow at Commissary Kean's.⁸⁶

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, May 6, 1780.

Parole Philadelphia. Countersigns Brest, Brunks.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubly Brigade Major, Maxwell's Brigade

The Morristown Guards all small detached Guards and fatigue Parties 'till further orders to be furnished weekly in rotation by two Divisions while the third are to hold them selves in readiness to march on the shortest notice with two days provisions.

Lord Stirlings and Clinton's Divisions furnish the Guards the ensuing week.

The Officers Casualties are to be inserted in the Returns in the following order 1st. Sick present; 2nd. Sick absent; 3d. on Command; 4th. Extra service; 5th. on Furlough; 6th. Recruiting; 7th. on the Staff; 8th. Prisoners of War; 9th. Furloughs expired; 10th. In Arrest; II. Vacant. The Column

of Rank and File on Extra service to be inserted between the Column “on Command” and “on Furlough.”

86. John Kean. He was Assistant Commissary of Issues.

As the warm season is approaching the Commanding officers of Regiments will see that the Sick of their respective regiments are put in Huts by themselves and that proper windows and openings are made in all their soldiers huts to admit a free circulation of fresh air.

The Regimental surgeons are to deliver in the usual returns of the sick on Monday next to the Director General of the Flying Hospital and punctually on every Monday in future.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, May 7, 1780.

Parole Mississipi. Countersigns M., T.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Hand Lieutenant Colonel Willet Brigade Major, 1st. Pennsylvania. Brigade

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, May 8, 1780.

Parole Londonderry. Countersigns May, Marr.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel De Hart Brigade Major, 2d Pennsylvania. Brigade

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, May 9, 1780.

Parole Rariton. Countersigns K., P.

Of the Day Tomorrow I Colonel Livingston² Lieutenant Colonel Smith³ Brigade Major, Clinton's
Brigade

The Jersey Brigade to be held in readiness to move with their baggage on the shortest notice.

Robert Powers and Samuel Bell soldiers of the 10th. Pennsylvania regiment also Jacob Justice
and Thomas Brown of the 7th. now under sentence of death for plundering the house of Mr.
Cornelius Bogart near Peramus; on a representation from their officers that they had previous to the
commission of the above crime behaved like good soldiers, and on the earnest intercession of Mr.
Bogart in their behalf: His Excellency the Commander in Chief is pleased to pardon them.

At a Division general court martial whereof Lieutenant Colonel Murray⁴ was president Joseph
Infelt and John Earhart soldier in the 10th. Pennsylvania regiment were tried for “attempting to
desert to the Enemy.”

The Court were clearly of opinion that they are Guilty of the Charges exhibited against them being
a breach of the 1st. Article 6th. Section of the Articles of War and Sentence them (more than two
thirds of the Court agreeing thereto) to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence.

2. Col. James Livingston.

3. Lieut. Col. William Stephens Smith.

4. Lieut. Col. John Murray, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Wednesday, May 10, 1780.

Parole California. Countersigns Cooke, Corke.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Johnson.¹³ Lieutenant Colonel Robinson¹⁴ Brigade Major, Stark's
Brigade

A Serjeant Corporal and twelve men for fatigue tomorrow they are to be sent very early in the
morning to Quarter master Lewis's¹⁵ quarters with their Arms and three days provisions.

The Jersey Brigade to move tomorrow morning: General Maxwell will call at Head Quarters
tomorrow for orders.

The State of the roads at present admitting the march of the men with ease the order of the 8th. of
February last respecting the Camp guards is revived: but instead of assembling at 9 o'clock they are
to parade on the Grand Parade at 8 o'clock The Troop to beat at 7.

At the General court martial whereof Colonel Shreve is President, on the 22d ultimo Major Church
of the 4th Pennsylvania regiment was Tried on the following Charges.

1st. For purchasing men's pay at an under Value

2d For discharging a man fit for duty and returning him discharg'd unfit for service.

3d. For defrauding the United States and the regiment in several instances vizt.

1st. Keeping Laban Bogart, soldier in said regiment working on his Farm a considerable time and
Mustering him on Command.

2dly. For keeping James McGee, soldier in the 4th. Pennsylvania regiment driving his or his
Brother's Team and discharging him from the regiment.

13. Col. Francis Johnston.

14. Lieut. Col. Thomas Robinson, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment.

15. Joseph Lewis. He was Assistant Deputy Quartermaster General.

3dly. Drawing Soldiers Pay by virtue of orders which orders the men declare to be forged.

4thly. Sending a horse known to be public property to his Farm which horse has since been offered for Sale.

5thly. Forcibly taking one hundred and ten dollars from James McDonack, a soldier.

6thly Taking Clothing (sent for the use of the Soldiers) out of the Paymaster's Store without his knowledge and appropriating them to his own use.

The Court having fully and maturely consider'd the several charges against Major Church and the Evidence in the Case are of opinion that the Charges are each of them unsupported and that the prosecution of Major Church was Malicious and Groundless and Therefore they do acquit Major Church with Honor.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court: Major Church is released from his Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, May 11, 1780.

Parole Hannibal. Countersigns T., L.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Cortlandt Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade

The General Court Martial whereof Colonel Shreve is President is dissolved.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, May 12, 1780.

Parole De La Fayette. Countersigns France, Spain.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel H. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major,
Alexander²³

On Monday next the Troops will begin to exercise and continue every day Fridays and Saturday's
excepted in the following manner:²⁴

At Six oClock, A.M. each regiment will parade and the Rolls be called the commanding officer
taking particular care that none of the officers or men are absent, except those on Guard or other
military duty, and immediately after the rolls are called each regiment will begin to Exercise by
Companies in the manner prescribed in the 6th. Chapter of the Regulations, each Company to be
exercised by the Captain or officer commanding it. The Field Officers to superintend the whole and
see that it is carried on agreeable to the regulations.

The Paymasters and Quarter masters having a right to command in their companies in time of
Action must attend the Exercise as often as their Staff duties will admit: at Five oClock the
regiments will exercise by Companies in the same manner but without Arms. The Commanding
officers of regiments are to be answerable that no Waiter or other person absents himself from the
Exercise on any pretence and the Generals and Inspectors of Brigades will visit the regiments and
see that this order is strictly obeyed.

Every Monday Wednesday and Saturday beginning on Monday next the Inspector General or in his
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23. Maj. William(?) Alexander, of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

24. "Your Excellency having expressed a desire that the Troops should exercise I take the liberty of submitting the inclosed for your approbation, to be put in orders tomorrow." — *Steuben to Washington*, May 11, 1780. Steuben's letter is in the *Washington Papers*.

sence one of the Inspectors will exercise on the Green near Morristown two Battalions detached from the Line with four Field pieces each Battalion to consist of one Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel, one Major, Six Captains, Seven Lieutenants, Eight Ensigns, one of which is for the Colours, Twenty six Serjeants, Eight Corporals, Eight Drums, Eight Fifers, Two hundred and fifty six rank and File.

The Troops to be at the place of Exercise at Nine o'clock A.M.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, May 13, 1780.

Parole Saxe. Countersigns R., P.

Of The Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Major Thayer Brigade Major, 2d. Pennsylvania brigade

A man acquainted with the management of hides from the Pennsylvania Line, also one from Stark's brigade to be sent to the Deputy commissary of hides at Morristown tomorrow they are to remain with him 'till the Brigade to which they belong move from this place.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, May 14, 1780.

Parole Achilles. Countersigns Alps, Bar.

To command the manœvring battalions tomorr Colonels Johnson and Livingston Majors Reed and J. Moore⁴⁶

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Colonel Stewart Brigade Major, Clinton's brigade

A Detachment for a fortnight to parade tomorrow morning at Guard mounting with their Arms Packs and Three days provisions and forty rounds pr man.

Major T. Moore⁴⁷ to command.

The Pennsylvania and Clinton's Divisions to give the Guards at Morristown; small detached Guards and fatigues for the ensuing week.

The Issuing Commissaries are to draw but two days bread at a time.

Lieutenant William Feltman⁴⁸ of the 10th Pennsylvania regiment is appointed Paymaster to the same from the 6th. of March last vice Ensign Benstead⁴⁹ resigned.

The General Court martial whereof Brigadier General Hand is President to assemble tomorrow morning 9 oclock A. M. at Morristown; a Captain from the 1st. Pennsylvania Brigade to attend the Court vice a Captain from the Maryland Line.

AFTER ORDERS

A Surgeon or Mate from Hand's Brigade to join the Detachment under Command of Major Moore.

46. Maj. James Moore, of the First Pennsylvania Regiment.

47. Maj. Thomas Lloyd Moore, of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment.

48. He was transferred to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781; taken prisoner at Green Spring, Va., in July, 1781 resigned in April, 1782.

49. Ensign Alexander Benstead, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment. He is noted by Heitman as being a lieutenant from March, 1780, and retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, May 15, 1780.

Parole Frederick. Countersigns N., Q.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Craig Major Talbot⁶⁰ Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

The General court martial whereof Brigadier General Hand is President to assemble at the hut lately occupied by Major Winder in the Maryland line; Major Eustace⁶¹ is appointed a member vice Major Grier indisposed.

Lieutenant James Fairlie⁶² of the 2nd. New York regiments appointed Aid de Camp to Major General Baron Steuben and is to be obeyed and respected accordingly.

The Colonels and commanding officers of regiments in Camp are to attend Wednesday morning next at 9 o clock at the place of Exercise near Morristown.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, May 16, 1780.

Parole Williamsburgh. Countersigns Wells., Wales.

To command the manœuvring battalions tomorrow Colonels Cortlandt and Jackson Lt. Colonels Robinson and Hay

All officers absent from the Army except on Furloughs not expired; recruiting or on command are forthwith to join their Corps. The officers commanding Divisions will pay par

60. Maj. Jeremiah Talbot, of the Seventh Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

61. Maj. James Fairlie. He continued as aide to Major General Steuben to the close of the war.

62. Maj. Benjamin Eustis (Eustace), of the Fourth Continental Artillery. He died in October, 1781.

particular attention to have this order executed.

The manœuvring Battalions to be formed in the field opposite Stark's Brigade precisely at Nine o'clock tomorrow morning: Two Adjutants from the Pennsylvania Division to be added to these Battalions: They are to be furnished with a Standard from the Pennsylvania Division and one from Clinton's brigade: Brigade Major from the 1st. Pennsylvania Brigade to attend the formation.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, May 17, 1780.

Parole Berwick. Countersigns W., E.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Livingston Lieutenant Colonel Comdt Butler Brigade Major, 1st. Pennsylv Brigade

Colonel Procter⁷⁴ is appointed Member of the General court martial whereof General Hand is President vice Colonel Ogden excused on account of his regiment being on the lines

AFTER ORDERS

Captain John McGowan⁷⁵ is appointed Pay master; Lieutenant E. Beatty,⁷⁶ Adjutant; and Lieutenant John Pratt,⁷⁷ Quartermaster to the 4th. Pennsylvania regiment.

74. Col. Thomas Procter (Proctor).

75. Captain and brigade major of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Germantown in October, 1777; transferred to the Invalid Regiment in February, 1781; served to close of the war.

76. Lieut. Erkurius Beatty, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; regimental paymaster in May, 1783; served to November, 1783.

77. Lieut. John Pratt, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, May 18, 1780.

Parole Carolina. Countersigns Don, Dee.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Johnstone Lieut. Colonel Commdt Hubly Brigade Major, 2d Pennsa. Brigade

At a Division General Court martial May 10, 1780, whereof Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Weissenfells was president, Matthew Bell soldier in the 2nd. and James Hanly soldier in the 4th. New York regiments were tried for attempting to desert to the Enemy with their Arms and Accoutrements; also Lancaster Lighthall soldier in the 3d. New York regiment was tried at the same Court for attempting to desert to the Enemy with the Arms and accoutrements of another soldier.

The Court are of opinion that the Charges against Bell and Hanly are fully supported and that they are guilty of a Breach of Article 1st. Section 6th. of the Articles of War:

They are further of opinion that the charge against Lighthall is supported except his taking the Arms and Accoutrements of another Soldier and that he is Guilty of a Breach of the Article and Section aforesaid and do sentence them all Three to be shot to death, upwards of two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief approves the sentence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, May 19, 1780.

Parole Delaware. Countersigns S., H.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Courtlandt Lieutenant Colonel Willet Brigade Major, Hand s
Brigade

To Command the Manœuvring Battalions Tomorrow Colonels Angell and Stewart Major Torrey
Lieutenant Colonel Huntington

The Manœuvring Battalions to be formed tomorrow morning Six o clock precisely; Brigade Major
of the second Pennsylvania Brigade to attend the formation &ca.

Clinton's and Hand's Brigades each give an Adjutant and Colors as before.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, May 20, 1780.

Parole Morocco. Countersigns Nantz, Nile.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Gansevoort Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major, Clinton's Brigade

Colonel Biddle being about to leave Camp requests the favor of the Gentlemen officers of the Army who have any Claims for keeping their own horses in forage to bring or send their Accompts, properly certified for settlement to his Office in Morristown in the course of the next Week that he may ascertain the Sums due and make Application for Money to discharge the same.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, May 21, 1780.

Parole Petersburg. Countersigns O., G.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Sill¹⁵ Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

For Manœuvring Tomorrow Colonel Craig Lieutenant Colonel Commdt Weissenfels Major C. Stewart¹⁶ and Talbot Adjutants, 1 Pennsa. and Stark's brigades.

Colours as before; The Battalions to be form'd at Six o'clock tomorrow A.M. Major Church to attend the Formation.

The Pennsylvania and Connecticut divisions and Hand's Brigade give the Morristown Guards and Fatigue the ensuing week.

A General Court martial of the Line to sit tomorrow morning nine o'clock at a hut lately occupied by Major Winder for the Trial of such persons as shall come before them; Colonel Gansevoort to preside: Lieutenant Colonel Wilier and Major James Moore, a Captain and one Sub, from the Pennsylvania division; Two Captains and a Sub from the Connecticut division; a Captain and a Sub from Hand's brigade; one Captain and one Sub, from Clinton's; and one Sub from Stark's to attend as Members.

To prevent in future an inconvenience and irregularity which the General is informed have frequently happened of late in sending part of the Morristown Guard to their Brigades who did not come properly supplied with

15. Lieut. Col. David Fithian Sill, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

16. Maj. Christopher Stuart (Stewart), of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant colonel of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in April, 1780, and retired in January, 1781.

On May 21 Harrison wrote to Capt. William Reily, of the Fourth Maryland Regiment, by direction of Washington, to continue his details of men at the Pluckemin and Baskingridge hospitals. A number of sick had succeeded in deserting after their recovery. Harrison's draft is in the *Washington Papers*.

provision in order to obtain Certificates from their Commissaries of their having provision due them that they might be furnish'd in Town; The Brigade Majors are previous to their men's going to the Grand parade to examine the State of their Provision and if they are not supplied they are to send the necessary Certificates from the Brigade Commissaries by the Adjutants of the Day, who will deliver them to the Officers of the Guards in which the Men are and which will be a Voucher for the Commissary in Town for charging the respective brigades with the Issues made in Consequence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, May 22, 1780.

Parole Denmark. Countersigns Got, Gaul.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Lieutenant Colonel Huntington Brigade Major, 1st.
Connecticut

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, May 23, 1780.

Parole Palermo. Countersigns P., B.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Meigs Lieutenant Colonel Murray²³ Brigade Major, 2d.
Connecticut

23. Lieut. Col. John Murray, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment.

For manœuvring Lieutenant Colonels Commandant Butler and Hubley; Majors Trescott and Parr;
Two Adjutants from the Connecticut Division; Colours as before; Brigade Major from Clinton's
brigade to attend the Formation of the Manœuvring Battalions Tomorrow Morning Six o'Clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Headquarters, Morristown, Wednesday, May 24, 1780.

Parole Egypt. Countersigns L., Merk

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Major Torrey Brigade Major, 1st Penna.
brigade

Tomorrow each regiment must make a return of Arms and Accoutrements wanting; No Arms to be
delivered to Waggoners, Waiters of the General Field or Staff officers but only to those men who
are to appear in Action. Eight Musquets without Bayonets to be deliver'd to each regiment for the
Camp colour men.

These returns must be signed by the Colonels or officers commanding Battalions and countersigned
by the regimental Quarter masters and delivered to the Brigade Inspectors who are to digest them
into a Brigade Return and sign it. They are then to be delivered to the brigade Conductors who are

to present them to the General of Artillery for an order for their delivery on the Field Commissary. After the Brigade Conductor shall have received the Stores from the

field Commissary he is to deliver them to the regimental Quarter masters according to the Returns who are to receipt to the Conductors for them.

Previous to the reception of the new Arms and Accoutrements all the old Arms and Accoutrements in possession of the regiments or brigade Conductors must be delivered to the Field Commissary of Military stores and the Colonels and Commanding officers of Battalions are to be responsible that all the damaged and spare Arms and Accoutrements are delivered in, and Arms and Accoutrements be retained for the men only.

At a Brigade General Court martial whereof Major Reid was President the 13th. instant, Corporal Thomas Clark of the 4th. and Thomas Calvin of the 11th. Pennsylvania regiments were tried for attempting to desert to the Enemy with their Arms.

The Court are of opinion that they are Guilty, being breach of the 1st. Article 6th. section of the Articles of War (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing) and sentence them to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, May 25, 1780.

Parole Finland. Countersigns Pope, Port.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Major C. Stewart Brigade Major, 2d. Penna. Brigade

The Criminals now under Sentence of death are to be executed tomorrow morning⁴⁶ Eleven o'clock near

46. These criminals were pardoned the next day (May 26) by a proclamation of the Commander in Chief. Those named in the proclamation were'. Emanuel Evans, private, of the Third New Jersey Regiment; Cornelius Nix, private, of the First New Jersey Regiment; Thomas Brown, private, of the Second New Jersey Regiment; Joseph Infelt and John Earhart, privates, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment; Matthew Bell, private, of the Second New York Regiment; James Hanly (Hanby), of the Fourth New York Regiment; Lancaster Lighthall, of the Third New York Regiment; Thomas Clark, corporal, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment; and Thomas Calvin, of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Regiment. The proclamation is in the *Washington Papers*.

the Grand parade: Fifty men properly officered from each brigade to attend. The Camp colour men from the Pennsylvania, Connecticut and York Lines under the direction of a Serjeant from each to dig the Graves this afternoon.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, May 26, 1780.

Parole Albany. Countersigns Parker, Byles.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Major Reid Brigade Major Church

For manœuvring tomorrow Colonels Livingston and Johnston, Lieutenant Colonels Sumner⁴⁷ and Hay; Adjutants from the 2nd Pennsylvania and Hand's Brigades. Colours as usual. Brigade Major Bradford⁴⁸ to attend the Formation &ca. The Battalions to be formed on the Grand Parade at Six o'clock in the Mornng.

Four Battalions are to manoeuvre next Monday on the Common near Colonel Abeel's:⁴⁹ Manœuvring Officers Colonels Courtlandt, Ganzevoort, Jackson and Angell; Lieutenant Colonels Willet, Robinson, Mentgez and Huntington: They are to be formed on the Ground at 7 o'clock precisely; Eight pieces of Artillery are to be annexed to these Battalions. The manœuvring officers

of the four battalions and the one to command the artillery are to attend the Exercise tomorrow mornng.

Clinton's Stark's and the Connecticut brigades each give an Adjutant for these Battalions. Colours from the 1st. Pennsylvania, Clinton's, Stark's, and the 2nd. Connecticut Brigades.

A Trusty Corporal from Stark's Brigade and a trusty soldier from each of the other Brigades to parade tomorrow

47. Lieut. Col. John Sumner, of the Fourth Connecticut Regiment. He was retired in January, 1781.

48. Maj. William Bradford.

49. Col. James Abeel, Deputy Quartermaster General.

on the Grand Parade with their Packs and Blankets and from thence to be sent to Commissary Gamble's; They will remain on duty 'till their regiments move from this Ground.

The Courts martial are to adjourn over to next Tuesday and the Officers composing them to have the privelege of joining their Battalions if next for manoeuvring duty.

Guards the same as this day.

AFTER ORDERS

Colonel Meigs is appointed to Command one of the manoeuvring Battalions vice Colonel Johnston indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, May 27, 1780.

Parole Carlisle. Countersigns N., U.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Stewart Major Leavensworth Brigade Major, Clinton's Brigade

A Corporal and six men from the 1st. Pennsylvania Brigade, with two days provisions and their Arms to be sent tomorrow morning, seven o'clock to General Greenes Quarters in Morristown: They will receive their orders from him.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, May 28, 1780.

Parole Dublin. Countersigns Elk, Esk.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubly Major J. Moore Bigade Major, Stark's Brigade

The Pennsylvania Division, Hand's and Stark's brigades give the Morristown Guards and fatigue this Week.

A Detachment from the Line to parade tomorrow at Guard mounting with three days provisions their blankets and 40 rounds pr man: Major Talbot will take command of them: a surgeon or mate from Stark's brigade to join the Detachment.

The manoeuvring Battalions instead of parading on the Ground at 7 o'clock as mentioned in orders of the 26th. instant are to be formed in the road in the rear of the Quarter Master General's, precisely at five o'clock tomorrow morning, where they will receive blank Cartridges: Brigade Major Alexander⁶⁵ to attend the Formation: Sixteen Marechausie light dragoons with a Commission'd officer to attend at the same time and place.

Colonels Stewart and Craig are to command two of the manoeuvring Battalions tomorrow vice Colonels Cortlandt and Ganzevoort⁶⁶ and Lieutenant Colonel Murray, vice Lieutenant Colonel Willet obliged to be absent.

The 2nd. Pennsylvania brigade to furnish a regimental Standard, and give an Adjutant, vice Clinton's.

At a General Court martial whereof Colonel Elliott⁶⁷ was President held at Newport the 1st. Instant. Windsor Fry, Soldier in Colonel Green's regiment was tried for "Entering the Commissary's store, stealing from thence a quantity of Beef, Candles and Rum; also for breaking open two Wind Mills and Stealing a Quantity of Meal" pled Guilty.

The Court having maturely considered the heinousness of his present Crimes together with his former bad

65. Maj. William(?) Alexander, of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment.

66. Col. Peter Gansevoort, of the Third New York Regiment. He was thanked by Congress, Oct. 4, 1777, for the defense of Fort Schuyler; retired in January, 1781; served subsequently as brigadier general of New York Militia.

67. Col. Robert(?) Elliott, of the Rhode Island State artillery.

conduct are unanimously of opinion that he suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence and Orders it to be put in Execution at such time and place as Colonel Green shall think proper.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, May 29, 1780.

Parole Mexico. Countersigns Mars, W.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Sherman Major Chapman⁸⁷ Brigade Major, 1st. Connecticut brigade

Colonel Meigs is appointed President of the General Court Martial vice Colonel Ganzevoort and Lieutenant Colonel Summer vice Lieutenant Colonel Willet; a Captain from Hand's Brigade and a Sub from the 2d. Pennsylvania vice a Captain and Sub from Clinton's.

The Court martial whereof Colonel Meigs is President to assemble at Lieutenant Colonel Willet's Hut

General Orders will be issued at Colonel Cortlandt's.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, May 30, 1780.

Parole Fortune. Countersigns Fame, France.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Livingston Major Trescott Brigade Major, 2nd. Connecticut brigade

87. Maj. Albert Chapman, of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January. 1781.

For manœuvring Tomorrow morning 6 oclock, Lieutenant Colonels Commandant Butler and Hubly; Majors Torrey and Stewart;⁹² Brigade Major, 1st. Connecticut Brigade to attend the formation of the Battalions; Hand's and Stark's Brigades give the Adjutants; Colors from the 2nd. Connecticut and Stark's.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to Order a release of all prisoners now under Confinement except prisoners of War and those of the Connecticut Brigade who were confined for Mutiny; Obrian late Provost Marshal to return to his duty in the Regiment from whence he was taken.

At a General Court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Ganzevoort is President May 20th. Mr. Alexander Church superintendent of Continental horses was tried.

1st. For supporting at public Expence 6 horses or more which he claimed as private property.

2dly. For appropriating to his own use a Waggon and four horses which he claimed as his own and for receiving public hire for the same, and public Forage for the Horses.

3dly. For permitting two men employed under him to purchase poor horses in the Continental Yard and fatten them on public Forage.

4thly. For taking a horse out of the Continental Yard at his own estimation or price of Thirty three dollars which was worth one Thousand and for feeding him on public Forage.

The Court are of opinion that the Charges are not supported and do therefore fully acquit Mr. Church.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court.

Mr. Church is released from his Arrest.

92. Maj. John Stewart, of the Second Maryland Regiment.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Wednesday, May 31, 1780.

Parole Norwalk. Countersigns X., M.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Johnson Major Parr Brigade Major, 1st. Penna Brigade

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Thursday, June 1, 1780.

Parole Luxemburgh. Countersigns Lyme, Lynn.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson Major Clift Brigade Major Van Laer

A trusty Serjeant, Corporal and nine men from Stark's brigade with their Arms blankets and three days provisions to be sent to the Adjutant General's quarters 8 o clock tomorrow morning to guard some Prisoners of War to Philadelphia.

At a General Court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Gansevoort was President May 25th.

Lieutenant Hunt¹² of the 4th. New York regiment was tried charged with "Marching the old Main Guard of the 11th. of May last, to camp in a disorderly manner and permitting the men to straggle contrary to the ordinance of the Army."

The Court on mature Consideration of the charge and the Evidence are of opinion that Lieutenant Hunt is Guilty of the Charge against him being in breach of that part of the 3d. Article of the 22d. Chapter of the regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops which respects

12. Lieut. Thomas Hunt. He retired in January, 1781, and served subsequently as captain of New York levies.

marching an old Guard to Camp and do sentence Lieutenant Hunt to be reprimanded in General orders.

The Conduct of Lieutenant Hunt was highly unmilitary and blameable. Too frequent instances occur of similar irregularities and they are at all times inexcuseable.

Lieutenant Hunt is released from his Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Friday, June 2, 1780.

Parole Ontario. Countersigns P., K.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Major Edwards¹³ Brigade Major, Hand's Brigade

For manœuvring Colonel Livingston, Lieutenant Colonel Sherman, Majors Reid and Leavensworth; Adjutants and Colours from the 1st. Pennsylvania and Connecticut brigades.

The manœuvring Battalions to parade near the Halfmoon tavern at 6 o clock tomorrow morning. Brigade Major of the 2nd. Connecticut brigade to attend the formation.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Saturday, June 3, 1780.

Parole Pultowa. Countersigns Perth, Pool.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel Hait¹⁹ Brigade Major, Stark's Brigade

Brigade Returns (regimentally digested) of all the Esponoons actually wanting in the several regiments to be made tomorrow at Orderly Time.

13. Maj. Evan Edwards, of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Regiment.

19. Lieut. Col. Joseph Hait, of the Eighth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Sunday, June 4, 1780.

Parole Newcastle. Countersigns Kent, Man.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major, 1st.
Connecticut brigade

The Connecticut Line to be Inspected tomorrow by the Inspector General.

The Inspection to begin at 6 o'clock in the Morning.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Monday, June 5, 1780.

Parole Pekin. Countersigns D., Thorn.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel Sill Brigade Major, 2nd.
Connecticut brigade

For manœuvring Colonels Johnston and Humpton; Majors Chapman and Trescott; Colours from the
1st. and 2nd. Pennsylvania brigades; the 2nd. Pennsylvania and Hand's give the Adjutants.

The Brigade Major of the 2nd. Pennsylvania brigade to attend the Formation of the Battalions
which are to be paraded at the usual place tomorrow morning 6 o'clock.

The 2nd. Pennsylvania Hand's and Stark's Brigades and the Connecticut Line to give the
Morristown Guards and Fatigue the ensuing Week.

Six camp colour men from Hand's Brigade under the care of a Corporal to be sent to Morristown
tomorrow morning 7 o'clock: Mr. Shute³³ A, D, Q, M, G. will give them directions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Morristown, Tuesday, June 6, 1780.

Parole Sussex. Countersigns Holt, F.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel R. Butler Major Torrey Brigade Major, 1 Pennsylvania brigade

A Subaltern from Hands brigade to relieve the Subaltern from Clinton's now superintending the Hospital at Pluckemin. He will receive his Instructions from the Officer he relieves.

Six Camp colour men from Starks brigade under the care of a Corporal to be sent to Commissary Kean's⁴⁴ early tomorrow morning.

GENERAL ORDERS

Morning Orders, Wednesday, June 7, 1780, "4 o'clock"

The Troops to be held in readiness to march at a moment's warning; Each man to be furnish'd with 40 rounds and two days provisions.

"7 o'clock A M"

The Army will march immediately⁴⁵ in the following

33. John Shute. He was Assistant Deputy Quartermaster General.

44. John Kean. He was Assistant Commissary of Issues.

45. "I am directed by Colo: Dayton to inform your excellency that the enemy landed this night at 12 o'clock."— *Capt. Jona. Dayton to Washington*, "past 1 o'clock Wednesday Morn." Dayton's letter is in the *Washington Papers*. Dayton reported the strength of the British as four or five thousand, with 12 field pieces. It developed that there were six regiments and four 6-pounder cannon. Incessant skirmishing ensued and Major Gibbs, of the Guard, reported to Washington "that

among the Wounded is Mr. Ford of Morristown *where hd. Qurs. is kept* he was in the Advance, a Volunteer with Lt. Colfax which gave the Enemy the first Charge; he received two balls thro his thigh." Gibbs's letter, dated June 8, 1780, is in the *Washington Papers*.

order: 2nd. Connecticut; 1st. Connecticut; Stark's; Hands; 2nd Pennsylvania and 1st. Pennsylvania.

The Brigade Commissaries are to follow on with provisions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Shorthills, Wednesday, June 7, 1780.

Parole Resolution. Countersigns Look, Sharp.

Watchword Tomorrow.

For the present the Army is to be formed in the following order.

The first line composed of the Pennsylvania division on the right commanded by Major General Greene.

The Connecticut division on the left commanded by Major General the Marquis La Fayette.

The 2nd. line composed of Hand's and Stark's Brigades commanded by Major General Baron de Steuben.

The Jersey Brigade forms the Advance Corps till further orders.

Captain Webb is to serve with General Greene as an Aid de Camp untill the Enemy's return into New York and is to be obeyed and respected accordingly.

AFTER ORDERS

Two regiments of the second line to be posted on the road between Camp and Newark mountain.

The troops to lie on their Arms and the Officers

with their respective regiments and platoons, that in Case of an alarm every officer and man may be immediately at his Post.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Connecticut Farms, Thursday, June 8, 1780.

MORNING ORDERS

Major Generals Greene, La Fayette and Steuben's divisions each give a battalion to form a detachment which is to be commanded by Brigadier General Hand.

Greene's gives 120

La Fayette's 80 Files

Steuben's 100

The men's ammunition to be carefully inspected immediately. One or two officers from each division to be sent to Camp this day to bring on all stragglers small guards &ca. to join their respective regiments.

Parole Pensacola. Countersigns Mobile, Spain.

Watchword Galvez.

A Field Officer from each division to post and visit the Guards of the Divisions respectively.

The officers from General St. Clairs division to visit also the Guards posted from the Jersey Brigade.

The Army to keep its present position 'till further orders; the officers to keep with their regiments and platoons and their men compact as possible.

General St. Clair having joined is to resume the Command of his own division; General Greene will take

command of the Front Line.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Springfield, Friday, June 9, 1780.

Parole Monmouth. Countersigns B., K.

Watchword Attention.

A Field Return to be made immediately of the officers and men on the ground "Fit for Action" by Brigades regimentally digested.

A return of the number of shoes actually wanted by the men present; also of Canteens.

The men to cook two days provisions immediately and to draw two days more so as to be completed with four days provisions this day inclusive.

The Ammunition to be inspected very critically and all deficiencies made up.

Major General Lord Stirling is to take the command of the second line and Major General Baron Steuben to take the command of the Troops in advance consisting of General Maxwell's brigade, Major Gibbs's detachment and such of the Militia as are at present advanced.

The detachment under command of Major Talbot lately returned from Peramus are to join their respective Corps.

Colonel Hazen's regiment to take Post at the fork of the road on the left of Cammell's.⁵¹

51. Archibald(?) Campbell. He was an innkeeper.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Thursday, June 10, 1780.

Parole Perseverance. Countersigns Peace, Plenty.

Watchword Independence.

Returns of the Canteens actually wanting in the several brigades to be made immediately by the brigade Quarter masters (signed by the commanding officers respectively) and presented to the Quarter master General in order to their being drawn.

The firing of two pieces of Cannon from the Centre of the second line will announce the advance of the enemy upon which the Troops are immediately to parade and remain under Arms for orders.

Two days provisions beforehand to be kept continually cooked.

In the present situation the officers will take the most effectual measures to keep the men near their respective quarters and will not themselves leave their Corps with out being detached by order.

The practice of going into the vicinity of the Enemy which is too common without being sent there on Service is entirely contrary to discipline and may be attended with ill consequences.

EVENING ORDERS

As it is totally inconsistent with the Safety of the Camp that transient persons should be passing through the Encampment after dark and impossible to discriminate between Friends and foes the Commander in Chief directs that all Persons passing after nine o'clock without the Countersign be taken up and confined 'till morning when the Field officers of the day may release or confine them as they shall think proper.

Colonel Angell's regiment to relieve Colonel Hazen's this evening.

A Subs Guard to be mounted this Evening at Head Quarters from the front Line.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Sunday, June 11, 1780.

MORNING ORDERS

The State or Sub Clothiers to apply without delay to the Deputy Clothier General at Colonel Potters on the Baskenridge road for their proportion of shoes, if the Sub Clothiers are not present officers are to be appointed for the purpose of receiving the shoes and delivering them to the regimental Clothiers.

A trusty Corporal to be sent from each division immediately to Colonel Potters to assist the Deputy Clothier General.

Parole Patriotism. Countersigns Jersey, Brave.

Watchword Halloo.

AFTER ORDERS

The General observed with great pain to day that a number of men were straggling to a considerable distance from Camp on a variety of frivolous pretences and without passes from the Commandants of their regiments.

This Practice subversive of all discipline and pernicious in every point of view demands the utmost care of the officers to prevent it; The General for this Purpose enjoins a strict observance of the Regulations forbidding any noncommission'd officer or Soldier to pass the chain of Sentinels without a written permission from the commanding officer of his regiment; and those respecting Roll-calls; and the more effectually to prevent straggling He authorizes every officer who shall find a Soldier without the chain unprovided with the Permit requir'd to order him on the spot fifty lashes. The visit directed to be made at Tatoo Beating will be always under the Inspection of a Commission'd officer and the Tatoo will beat at nine o clock 'till further orders;

The advance Corps not to beat.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Monday, June 12, 1780.

Parole Springfield. Countersigns F., O.

Watchword Take Care.

For this day Colonel Steward Major Reed⁴ Brigade Major Van Laer

Field Returns of the officers and men “present fit for Action” to be delivered at six o clock this afternoon.

Picquets to be paraded at 5 o clock P. M: between the right and left Wing of the Front line where the Grand Parade is assigned 'till further orders.

A Chain of Sentinels to be posted round each Division.

A Captain of the day from each division to be appointed as usual.

4. Maj. James Randolph Reid.

AFTER ORDERS

In Case of an Alarm Colonel Taylor's⁵ regiment of Militia is to join the right wing of the Army and Colonel Van Dyck's⁶ and Colonel Nelson's⁷ the Left to be disposed of as Major General St Clair and the Marquis de la Fayette shall judge most proper.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Tuesday, June 13, 1780.

Parole America. Countersigns Arms, Arts.

Watchword Holland.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel Commdt Hubley Brigade Major Bradford⁸

At a General Court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Meigs is President, June 2nd. 1780, Captain Chrystie⁹ of the 3d. Pennsylvania regiment was tried for:

“Refusing (contrary to the regulations established by Congress) to take his Post and march with the detachment for Guard from the Brigade to the Grand Parade when requested by the Major of Brigade”.

The Court on mature Consideration are of opinion that Captain Chrystie is Guilty of the Charge against him being contradictory to the Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops and in breach of the 5th. Article 18 section of the rules and Articles of War and do Sentence him to be reprimanded in Brigade Orders.

5. Col. Robert Taylor, of the New Jersey Militia.

6. Col. Henry Van Dyke, of the New Jersey Militia.

7. Col. John Nelson, of the New Jersey Militia.

8. Maj. William Bradford, of Sherburne's Additional Continental regiment.

9. Capt. James Christie (Chrystie). He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court and directs it to be carried into Execution; and He thinks proper to declare that Captain Chrystie was wrong in the first instance in refusing to take the command of the detachment when requested by Captain Van Laer the Brigade Major and that he has been still more so in the defence he has made both in *manner* and *matter* .

The Forming the detachment on the Brigade Parade was of right under the direction of Captain Van Laer not as a *Captain* but as Brigade Major and the officers to march it to the Grand Parade were to be Posted by him not from any rank acquired by his appointment but from the very nature and duties of the office itself.

When the sentence is carried into execution Captain Chrystie is to be released from his Arrest.

At the same Court, June 3d. 1780 Ensign Russell¹⁰ of Colonel Sherburne's late regiment was tried for "Defaming Colonel Sherburne's Character in Company by saying he was a damn'd liar and Rascal".

The Court on mature consideration are of opinion that the Charge against Ensign Russel is not fully supported yet they are of opinion that the expressions Mr. Russel made use of respecting Colonel Sherburne were highly indecent and illiberal more especially when used by an inferior officer respecting his superior, he being the Commanding officer of the particular regiment to which Ensign Russel belonged and that he is Guilty of a breach of the 5th Article 18th. Section of the Rules and Articles of War and do sentence that Ensign Russel be Reprimanded in General Orders.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court. The Expressions Mr. Russel used were diametrically contrary to the rules of good breeding in the first place and in the

10. Ensign Thomas Russell. He was aide to Brig. Gen. John Stark and retired in January, 1781.

second entirely disrespectful considering the relative situation between him and Colonel Sherburne; and in this view the General cannot but consider his conduct to have been highly reprehensible. He is released from his Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Wednesday, June 14, 1780.

Parole Portsmouth. Countersigns L., C.

Watchword Silence.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel Sumner¹³ Brigade Major Ely

A Detachment to be Paraded at twelve oClock this day with two days Provisions and forty rounds per man

Major Parr to take the Command

AFTER ORDERS

Brigadier General Wayne will take Command of the first and Brigadier General Irvine of the second Pennsylvania Brigade.

A Surgeon or Mate from the 1st Connecticut Brigade to join the detachment under Major Parr.

13. Lieut. Col. John Sumner, of the Fourth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Thursday, June 15, 1780.

Parole Pennsylvania. Countersigns Reed, Rome.

Watchword Look out.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Livingston Lieutenant Colonel Hait²⁵ Brigade Major
Woodbridge²⁶

The Commanding officers of Regiments are to see that their men's Arms are cleaned in the best manner and their Ammunition critically Inspected. The Brigade Conductors are to have a proper Quantity of spare Ammunition on hand.

The most pointed Attention is to be paid to the Order respecting cooked provisions, and if *three* days cooked provision could be constantly kept on hand, it would be much preferable to *two* .

The General Courtmartial whereof Brigadier General Hand is President will assemble tomorrow morning Nine o'clock at Springfield near the Church and proceed on the Trial of Doctor Shippin.

In case of an Alarm the Members are to repair immediately to their respective Commands.

The officers composing the General Court martial whereof Colonel Meigs is President are to go through the common routine of duty 'till ordered to reassemble.

A Subaltern from Hand's Brigade to join the Detachment under Major Parr immediately.

25. Lieut. Col. Joseph Hait, of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

26. Maj. Theodore Woodbridge, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He was appointed brigade major and inspector to July, 1781; transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Friday, June 16, 1780.

Parole Wallkill. Countersigns N., G.

Watchword Camp.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Hazen Lieutenant Colonel North Brigade Major Alexander³²

The Commander in Chief wishes to inform such of the Militia as were wounded while bravely contending with the Enemy the other day when they advanced into the Country, and such as have been wounded since; that they will be immediately conveyed to the most convenient Continental Hospitals if they choose it, where every possible Care and Attention will be paid by the Hospital Surgeons, to effect their recovery from the wounds which they have acquired with so much Honor to themselves and to their Country and if there are any in the vicinity of the Army whose situation will not admit of their being removed or who prefer remaining at their Houses, the Surgeons of the Army being informed of the Places they are at will visit them and contribute all in their power to their relief.

AFTER ORDERS

At a Brigade General Court martial held in General Maxwell's Brigade the 15th. instant whereof Colonel Spencer is President; Thomas Brown soldier of the 2nd. Jersey regiment was tried for

“Desertion and persuading another soldier to desert” found Guilty of both charges being a breach of the 1st. and 4th. Articles of the 6th. Section of the Articles of War and sentenced (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto) to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to be put in Execution tomorrow morning Nine o'clock

32. Maj. William Alexander, of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

at such place as General Maxwell shall think proper.

The General Court Martial whereof Colonel Meigs is President will sit Tomorrow morning 9 o'clock at the old house near the Forks of the road between the first and second lines.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Saturday, June 17, 1780.

Parole Lebanon. Countersigns B., U.

Watchword Hark!

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major Van Lear

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Meigs is President to assemble at the old house immediately for the trial of such persons as shall come before them; if any of the old Members are absent new ones are to be appointed in their room. Each brigade to furnish the following members; 1st and 2d pennsylvania one Captain two Subalterns: Hand's two Captains; Stark's one Sub 1st. and 2nd. Connecticut two Captains and one subaltern.

Colonel Meigs will appoint an officer to act as Judge Advocate for the Court; Each Division to send an orderly Serjeant to the Court.

As stripping bark of Trees indiscriminately greatly destroys Timber and of course is of great prejudice to the proprietors who are well disposed to accomodate the Troops whenever they can; The General directs that no more Bark be got in the way lately practis'd on any pretence whatever, but that each Brigade send a Waggon or two with a fatigue Party to Mr. Timothy Whitehead in the rear of General Stark brigade, who will point out Timber which will afford bark and without Injury to the Owners.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Short Hills, Sunday, June 18, 1780.

Parole Vandalia. Countersigns Worms, Van.

Watchword Watch.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Johnston Lieutenant Colonel Sill Brigade Major Church

As it is at all times of great importance both for the sake of appearance and for the regularity of service that the different military ranks should be distinguished from each other and more especially at present.

The Commander in Chief has thought proper to establish the following distinctions and strongly recommends it to all the Officers to endeavor to Conform to them as speedily as possible.

The Major Generals to wear a blue coat with Buff facings and lining, yellow buttons, white or buff under cloaths two Epaulets, with two stars upon each and a black and White Feather in the Hat.

The Brigadier Generals the same uniform as the Major Generals with the difference of one Star instead of two and a White feather.

The Colonels, Lieutenant Colonels and Majors the uniforms of their regiments and two Epaulettes.

The Captains; the uniforms of their regiments and an Epaulette on the right shoulder.

The Subalterns, the uniform of their regiment and an Epaulette on the Left Shoulder.

The Aides de Camp the uniforms of their ranks and Corps, or if they belong to no Corps, of their General officers: Those of the Major Generals and Brigadier Generals to have a green feather in the Hat; Those of the Commander in Chief a White and green.

The Inspectors as well Sub as Brigade, the Uniforms of their ranks and Corps with a blue feather in the Hat.

The Corps of Engineers and that of Sappers and Miners; a blue coat with buff facings, red lining, buff undercloaths and the epaulettes of their respective ranks.

Such of the Staff as have military rank to wear the uniform of their ranks and of the Corps to which they belong in the line; such, as have no military rank To wear plain Coats with a Cockade and Sword.

All officers as well Warrant as Commission'd to wear a Cockade and side arms, either a sword or genteel Bayonet.³⁷

The General recommends it to the officers as far as practicable to provide themselves with the uniforms prescribed for their respective Corps by the regulation published in General Orders the 2nd. of October last.

All officers and others who draw Horses from the Public for special purposes or for a limited time are requir'd to be punctual in returning them after the service is performed or at the expiration of the Time prescribed or they will be answerable for the detention.

The Captains of Artillery hitherto allowed Horses in particular Cases from the Public, are immediately to give up all such as are in their Possession to the Quarter master General: The Exigency of the Service requires it.

The Drummers and Filers 'till further orders are to practise between the Hours of Nine and eleven in the morn

37. See General Orders, July 14, 1780, *post*.

ing and of four and six in the afternoon.

A Field Return of the officers noncommissioned officers and privates "Fit for Action" to be delivered in at six oClock this afternoon.

A Return of the Killed wounded and missing since the 6th. Instant to be delivered in tomorrow morning at Guard mounting.

AFTER ORDERS

At a General Court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Meigs is President held this day: John Clawson, Ludwick Lasick and William Hutchinson were tried on the following charge "Coming out from the Enemy with Arms and found lurking as spies in the Vicinity of the Army of the United States." By the Judgement of the Court found Guilty and severally sentenced (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing) to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the sentence and orders them to be hanged tomorrow morning at Guard mounting.

No Officer or Private soldier to be absent from his Quarters this Night.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near the Short Hills, Monday, June 19, 1780.

Parole Sparta. Countersigns P., N.

Watchword Freedom.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major, Bradford

EVENING ORDERS

Officers are to be sent tomorrow morning seven o Clock to the Huts to select the officers heavy Baggage which the General recommends should be deposited in the Farmer's houses in the Vicinity of the Huts; As many officers only as are indispensably necessary to be sent on this duty and to return to Camp tomorrow evening or by the next day morning at farthest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near the Short Hills, Tuesday, June 20, 1780.

Parole Golconda. Countersigns Greece, Hague.

Watchword Vigilance.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Butler Major Torrey Brigade Major Woodbridge

Lieutenant Colonel Huntington is appointed Field officer of the day vice Lieutenant Colonel Mentges on other duty.

Major Hamilton⁵¹ is appointed to relieve Major Parr this afternoon. He will call at the Orderly Office for instructions.

All Officers are particularly requested not to be absent from their Corps this Night but to be completely ready to move

51. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

with their respective Commands at a moment's warning.

EVENING ORDERS

The Pennsylvania Connecticut and Hand's brigades to march at eight o'clock this Evening by the Left.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Short Hills, Wednesday, June 21, 1780.

Parole Amboy. Countersigns Alps, B.

Watchword Caution.

Major General Greene will for the present Command the advanced Corps of the Army consisting of Maxwell's and Stark's brigades, the Light Horse and Militia.

The officers and men of other Corps on the lines are to be relieved tomorrow morning by such detachments as General Greene may think proper to order and are to rejoin their respective Corps. This order is to comprehend any Guards which may be in or about Springfield.

The Court martial of which General Hand is President, to sit at Chatham tomorrow ten o'clock and proceed on the Trial of Doctor Shippen. They will sit from day to day 'till the business is finish'd unless a movement of the Enemy shou'd make it necessary to join their respective Corps in which case they are to do it without further orders.

AFTER ORDERS

Tench Tilghman Esqr. is Appointed Aide de Camp to the Commander in Chief and is to be obeyed and respected as such.⁷²

The Troops under Command of General St. Clair and the Connecticut Line are to march tomorrow morning at three o'clock.

72. Tilghman had served as volunteer aide and secretary to Washington since August, 1776. He ranked as lieutenant colonel and aide from April, 1777.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Springfield,⁷⁸ Thursday, June 22, 1780.

Parole Chatham. Countersigns D., Elk.

Watchword Persevere.

The Commander in Chief cannot leave this Post with out expressing the high sense he entertains of the Conduct and Bravery of the officers and Men of Maxwell's brigade in annoying the Enemy in their incursion of the 7th. instant. Colonel Dayton merits particular Thanks.

He also with Pleasure embraces the opportunity of Testifying that the behavior of the Militia has been such as to do them signal Honor and entitled them to the warmest approbation. There never since the commencement of the Contest appeared a more general ardor than animated all ranks upon this occasion and the spirited opposition given was attended with answerable Effects.

AFTER ORDERS, ROCKAWAY BRIDGE⁷⁹

The Troops are to keep their present Position 'till further Orders: The officers to prevent every species of Waste of private property.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Rockaway, Friday, June 23, 1780.

MORNING ORDERS

The Men will cook their Provisions immediately; they are to be kept Compact in readiness for a sudden movement.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

In Case a sudden movement should become necessary two pieces of Cannon will be fired at the Park as a signal to the Troops to get under Arms.

78. “Reed of His Excellency Genl Washington the Sum of eight hundred Dollars being my charge against him for Sundrys during his stay at my house. Jacob Briant. Springfield June 22d 1780.” This receipt is in the *Washington Papers*.

79. Rockaway Bridge was about 11 miles north of Morristown, N.J.

The General officers present will assemble at General Hand's Brigade this afternoon five o clock to take into consideration a dispute of rank between Colonels Livingston and Hazen of that brigade and will as speedily as possible report their opinion to the Commander in Chief.

The General has often observed much unnecessary damage done to Grass-grounds by turning the Horses of the Army at large upon them by which means more is trodden down than is Consumed Care will therefore be taken in future when the Army Halts near Mowing grounds to have the

grass cut and brought to the horses. The officers commanding divisions and brigades will see this order executed and the Quartermaster General will direct that it is particularly attended to by the Conductors of Teams not attached to any particular part of the Line.

Captain David Humphrys⁸⁰ of the Connecticut Line is Appointed Aide de Camp to the Commander in Chief and is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

Brigade Field Returns (of the officers and men present fit for Action regimentally digested) are to be delivered in at five o'clock this afternoon at which time After Orders will be issued.

AFTER ORDERS

In the present divided State of our Force the second Pennsylvania, Hand's and the two Connecticut Brigades are to form one line, the Park of Artillery will be between Hand's brigade and the Connecticut Troops; the Troops will lay on their Arms in their proper Platoons Officers of all ranks are to be at their Posts; Head Quarters will be at the Park of Artillery.

General St. Clair will see that proper Picquets are posted for the security of the right Wing and General Huntington will do the same for the Security of the Left Wing.

80. Capt. David Humphreys (Humphrys), of the Sixth Connecticut Regiment. His appointment as aide to the Commander in Chief gave him rank as lieutenant colonel. He resigned in April, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Whippany, Saturday, June 24, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

The General Court martial whereof Brigadier General Hand is president will meet tomorrow morning nine o'clock at Morristown and will continue sitting from day to day unless especially adjourned by the President.

The General Officers directed to meet yesterday to settle a dispute of rank between Colonels Hazen and Livingston will meet this day at twelve o'clock at the house on the forks of the road near Head Quarters.

At a General Court martial held by order of the Honorable Board of War the 19th. May at Philadelphia, Major Nichols President. Captain Lieutenant Godfrey of the Artillery and Artificers was tried "First: For stopping two Shillings and fourpence for five months Stores more than the Price stipulated by the State.

Secondly: For drawing thirteen days subsistence money for six men then deserted and converting the money to his own use.

Thirdly: For drawing one Month's Pay for the detachment under his command at Carlisle Twelve months ago and not paying them.

Fourthly: For detaining from the officers and men of the company out of three months stores vizt. April May and June the following Articles pr man, one pint of Rum, one pound of Sugar, Half a pound of Tobacco, one ounce of Tea, quarter of a pound of Soap and half a pound of Coffee.

Fifthly: For treating Captain Coren in an ungentlemanlike manner at sundry times."

The Court are of opinion that Captain Lieutenant Godfrey is not Guilty of the *first, second, third* and *fourth* Charges; therefore acquit him. But they are of opinion he is Guilty of the Fifth charge, being a breach of Sect. 7, Article 1st. of the Articles of War and sentenced to be reprimanded by the Commanding Officer privately.

Captain Coren was tried at the same Court “for appointing Lieutenants to his Company and ordering them to be obey'd as such, and for signing a false order for Rations by drawing for Four Subalterns when he had but one in his Company. Pleads Guilty.”

The Court are of opinion he is guilty of a breach of part of Section 5th. Article 1st. of the Articles of War therefore sentence him accordingly.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentences and orders them carried into execution. When that against Captain Lieutenant Godfrey has taken Place he is to be released from Arrest.

AFTER ORDERS, ½ PAST 11 O'CLOCK P.M.

The 1st. and 2nd. Pennsylvania and Hand's Brigades march by the Left tomorrow morning 5 o'Clock for Pumpton Plains where they are to Halt 'till further orders. The Park will move at the same time in the order already pointed out.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Sunday, June 25, 1780.

Parole Leonidas. Countersigns Turin, Troy.

Watchword Who's here.

The Troops to March and the Park to move tomorrow morning four o'clock by the Left. Stark's brigade to take Post on the left of Hand's when it arrives.

Such of the Troops as may want Provisions are to draw and Cook this evening.

The Brigades to Post proper Picquets for their own security and to prevent their Soldiers straggling.

The General earnestly requests officers of all ranks to prevent as far as possible all unnecessary waste of meadows Pasturage or inclosures while on a March or in Camp. This is to be considered as a standing order.

A Sub, Serjeant, Corporal and twenty one men from the 1st. Pennsylvania brigade to mount at Head Quarters immediately.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Ramapough, Monday, June 26, 1780.

Parole Sardinia. Countersigns U., A.

Watchword Bayonet.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Butler Lieutenant Colonel Olney Brigade Major Alexander.

The Commander in Chief requests General Greene and all the officers and men under his Command to accept his Warmest thanks for the good Conduct and Gallantry displayed in opposing the Enemy in their advance to Springfield the 23d. Instant.

The Regiment of Colonel Angell from its situation had an opportunity of more particularly distinguishing itself and is entitled to particular notice.

The General has observed with the highest satisfaction that the Behavior of the Troops upon every late occasion has exhibited signal proof how much may be expected from their Valor improved as it now is by discipline and affords the highest presage of Success in our future operations.

Major General Lord Stirling 'till further Orders will take the Command of Hand's and Stark's brigades.

All the General Officers in Camp will meet tom

orrow morning nine o'clock at Lord Stirling's Quarters to resume the consideration of the dispute of rank between Colonels Livingston and Hazen.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Ramapough, Tuesday, June 27, 1780.

Parole Maryland. Countersigns Perth, Po.

Watchword Cannon.

For this Day Colonel W. Stewart Major C. Stewart Brigade Major Van Laer

The Guards to be Paraded at two o'clock this afternoon.

AFTER ORDERS

The Board of General Officers appointed to settle rank between Colonels Hazen and Livingston having reported on the admission of the Parties that the Commission of Colonel Hazen was dated the 22d. day of January 1776 and that Colonel Livingston produced one dated the 20th. of November 1775 and a Written Warrant and Instructions from Brigadier General Montgomery of the same date for raising a regiment; That Congress by a subsequent Resolution on the 8th. of January following approved the appointment of Colonel Livingston by General Montgomery; That by another Resolution of the 15 of August in the same year they ordered a Colonel's Commission to be given to him "He having been appointed a Colonel of a Regiment by General Montgomery" and that in the opinion of the Board Colonel Livingston ought to have rank as Colonel from the 20th. of November 1775 agreeable to the appointment of General Montgomery.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the board and Colonel Livingston is to take rank of Colonel Hazen.

The same Board having taken into Consideration at the request of the Parties the rank of their regiments have reported the same to be in favor of Colonel Hazen's which the Commander in Chief likewise approves and the regiments are to rank accordingly.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Craige Major Reid Brigade Major Church

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Ramapough, Wednesday, June 28, 1780.

Parole Monmouth. Countersigns Fight, Fame. Watchword Success.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubley Major James Moore Brigade Major Bradford

The Picquet on the right to be increased with the Addition of a Captain, Sub, Serjeant, Corporal and twenty-nine privates.

A Sub, Two Serjeants, two Corporals and twenty five men to be Posted at the Mill on the left.

A jill of Rum pr man to be issued to the troops this evening.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Meigs is President is dissolved.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Ramapough, Thursday, June 29, 1780.

Parole New York. Countersigns Thomson, Ogden.

Watchword New Jersey.

Of the Day Tomorrow Majors Talbot. Grier.⁴⁷ Brigade Major Alexander

The Officers composing the General Court Martial whereof General Hand is President are to go through the common routine of duty as usual 'till further orders.

MORNING ORDERS

Major Forest is appointed officer of the day vice Major Talbot sick.

Parole Westmoreland. Countersigns O., N.

Watchword Move-on.

Of the Day Tomorrow Majors Parr Hamilton Brigade Major Van Laer

The Army is to march tomorrow morning four o'clock by the right. The Park of Artillery will preserve its place in the Line and the Baggage Waggons will follow the whole in the order of the brigades; after them the Stores of the Army. Colonel Moylan's horse will bring up the rear.

47. Maj. James Grief, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to November, 1783.

The Quarter Master General will provide Persons to lead the Column to the ground.

After the Army arrives at the new ground the brigade Quartermasters will apply to the Quartermaster General for a supply of Tents and the means of bringing them on to their respective brigades and follow the directions they receive from him. It is absolutely necessary we should economise our Tents as much as possible and therefore it is expected no brigade will apply for more than are indispensable.

The Surgeons are requested to have the Sick of their respective regiments who are unfit to remain in Camp sent down to the Pumpton road between the Park of Artillery and General Wayne's Quarters Tomorrow morning at three o'clock where Waggons will be provided to carry them off.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Ramapough, Friday, June 30, 1780.

AFTER ORDERS

Two men from General Hand's and one from Stark's brigades to be sent to Mr. Erskine or his Deputy immediately to serve as Chain bearers a few Weeks.

The General will beat at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning the Assembleé half past three and the March to begin precisely at four. The advance Guard to parade on the road opposite General St. Clair's quarters Major Parr will take command of it. The rear Guard on the right of the Pennsylvania Line which Major Hamilton will command.

A Captain, 2 Subs, 2 Serjeants, 2 Corporals, Drum and Fife and Forty Privates to escort the Baggage.

Colonel Livingston's regiment will take Post in the Clove near the old Barracks and joined by the detachment of General Clinton's brigade already there will furnish such Guard as

may be necessary for the Security of the Stores at Ringwood.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness,⁶⁰ Saturday, July 1, 1780.

Parole Pumpton. Countersigns June July.

Watchword Hark.

Of the Day Tomorrow Majors —Edwards⁶¹ T. L. Moore Brigade Major Church

Those Brigades which have not drawn any Rum to day are to be supplied with a Jill pr. man this Evening.

The Grand Parade is assigned in the road opposite the Marquis De La Fayette's quarters 'till further orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Sunday, July 2, 1780.

Parole Trenton. Countersigns F., P.

Watchword Hereabouts.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Maxwell Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubly Brigade
Major Bradford

AFTER ORDERS

The troop to beat at six o'clock A.M. The Guards to be on the Grand Parade at 7 o'clock till further orders.

Ensign John Rogers⁶² of Colonel Angell's regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same vice
Lieutenant Waterman.⁶³

60. Preakness, N.J. Headquarters were established at Col. Theunis Dey's.

61. Maj. Evan Edwards, of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Regiment.

62. Of the Second Rhode Island Regiment. He had been wounded at Connecticut Farms, N.J., in June, 1780; made a lieutenant in February, 1781; served to November, 1783.

63. Lieut. Thomas Waterman. He was regimental adjutant of the Second Rhode Island Regiment and had resigned in August, 1779.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Monday, July 3, 1780.

Parole Whippany. Countersigns Wesel, Wells.

Watchword Altogether.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonel Smith⁶⁸ Brigade Major Ross.

A Board to be composed of all the General Officers in Camp except the parties will meet tomorrow morning nine o'clock at Major General Greene's quarters and will hear a dispute of rank between Brigadiers General Hand and Irvine and will report their Claims and their opinion of their right of Precedence. The General will lay before the Board such Papers and Resolutions in his Possession as regard the subject.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Tuesday, July 4, 1780.

Parole Amsterdam. Countersigns Brest, Camp.

Watchword Espontoon.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Hand Lieutenant Colonel Olney Brigade Major Alexander

The Troops to be supplied with a jill of Rum pr. man this day in Case they have not already drawn.

68. Lieut. Col. William Stephens Smith.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Wednesday, July 5, 1780.

Parole Magnanimity. Countersigns Lincoln, Lisle.

Watchword Persevere.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel North Brigade Major Van Laer

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Thursday, July 6, 1780.

Parole Acapulco. Countersigns C., R.

Watchword By and By.

For the Day Tomorrow Colonel Hazen Lieutenant Colonel Hay Brigade Major Church

Doctor Hagan⁸⁵ senior Surgeon in the General Hospital is appointed to do duty in that Capacity in the Flying Hospital.

Lieutenant Colonel Barber is requested to undertake the Sub Inspectorship of Hand's Maxwell's and Stark's Brigades.

Two Battalions from the Line to manœuvre tomorrow morning; Lieutenant Colonel Barber will attend the discipline and Brigade Major Ross the Formation of them; Colonels Shreve and Jackson and Majors Parr and Hamilton will take command of them under Brigadier General Maxwell.

The First and second Pennsylvania brigades give the Adjutants and Colours.

85. Surgeon Francis Hagan, of the Hospital Department. He was hospital surgeon and physician in October, 1780, and resigned in May, 1781.

An Orderly Serjeant from each Brigade to be sent daily to the Orderly Office with one day's Provisions and their blankets.

AFTER ORDERS

A Serjeant and ten men from Maxwell's Brigade for Fatigue Tomorrow; they will be at the bridge near General St. Clair's quarters at 6 o'Clock in the morning.

The manœuvring Battalions are to be formed in the field contiguous to the Grand Parade half past 4 in the mornng.

Colonel Angell is appointed to command one of the manœuvring battalions vice Colonel Jackson indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Friday, July 7, 1780.

Parole Alexandria. Countersigns Narva, Nile.

Watchword Look about.

For the Day Tomorrow Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major Bradford

The manœvring Battalions which were to have Paraded this Morning are to parade tomorrow morning at four o'clock.

A Detachment for a Week's command to parade at 6 o'clock this afternoon with two days provisions and 40 rounds pr man.

Ensign Bloomfield⁹² of the 3d. Jersey Regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same vice Lieutenant Sheppard.⁹³

92. Ensign Jarvis Bloomfield, of the Third New Jersey Regiment. He ranked as a lieutenant from November, 1779, and resigned in October, 1780.

93. Lieut. Samuel Shepard. He had been transferred to the First New Jersey Regiment in July, 1778, and resigned in May, 1782.

A Return of Shoes actually Wanting by the Infantry and Artillery to be made tomorrow morning at Orderly time regimentally digested; as the supply in Camp at Present is small, it is expected that the officers commanding Brigades and Regiments will see that no more Men are included in the Returns than those who are upon the Ground and in immediate want.

The Board of General officers appointed by the Order of the 3d. Instant composed of Major Generals Greene, Lord Stirling, Marquis De La Fayette, Brigadiers General Maxwell Knox and Wayne: have made the following Report:

“It is the unanimous opinion of this Board that they have not powers to alter the standing of any General officers different from their appointment and therefore cannot determine upon the Claim of General Irvine of precedence to General Hand.”⁹⁴

At a Division General Court Martial the 27th ultimo Major Talbot President; Mr. Swain Clothier for the State of Pennsylvania was Tried on the following Charges:

Absenting himself from Camp without Leave; Neglect of duty; Abuses in the Execution of his Office and Fraud.

Found Guilty of the first and second Charges being a Breach of section 18th. Article 5th also of the 3d. Charge being a breach of section 12 Article 1st. of the Articles of War (acquitted of the 4th. Charge) and sentenced to be dismissed the Service as a Person unworthy the Trust reposed in him.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to take Place immediately.

94. Washington's letter of July 4, 1780, to Greene and the Board of General Officers was merely an inclosing one, transmitting letters, necessary for the Board's decision. This letter is in the *Washington Papers*. This Board also decided the rank dispute between Maj. John Conway, whose rank of lieutenant colonel dated from July, 1779, and Capt. John Hollingshead, of the Third New Jersey Regiment. A draft, a "state of Facts" in the case, was submitted by Washington to the Board on July 4, 1780. This draft is also in the *Washington Papers*. (See General Orders, July 7, 1780, and Washington's letter to David Brearley, July 7, 1780, *post*.)

AFTER ORDERS

While We remain in this incampment a Corporal and four dragoons are to mount with the daily Guards and will receive their orders from the Brigadier or Senior officer of the Day.

Colonel Moylan gives them Tomorrow.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Saturday, July 8, 1780.

Parole Paramus. Countersigns T., K.

Watchword Bombard.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Humpton Lieutenant Colonel Conway Brigade Major Ross

A Corporal and four light dragoons from Major Lee's Corps to attend the Grand Parade tomorrow morning seven o'Clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Sunday, July 9, 1780.

Parole Lancaster. Countersigns Lynn, Nantz.

Watchword All is Well.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Shreve Major Thayer Brigade Major Van Laer

A General Court Martial of the Line to

assemble the day after tomorrow to try such Persons as shall come before them. Colonel Richard Butler is appointed President, Lieutenant Colonel Olney, Major Edwards; two Captains from the 1st. and 2d Pennsylvania Hands and Maxwell's Brigades and one from Stark's to attend as Members.

An Orderly Serjeant from each Brigade to be sent to the Court.

The Quarter Master General is desired to point out a place for them to sit in.

Application to be made tomorrow morning to the Deputy Clothier General near the two Bridges for the respective Proportion of Shoes for the Troops.

An Adjutant or other Commissioned officer from Moylan's regiment and from Major Lee's Corps to attend at the Orderly Office daily 12 o'Clock for Orders.

Maxwell's Brigade is for the present annex'd to Major General Lord Stirling's Division.

AFTER ORDERS

Two Battalions from the Line to manœuvre tomorrow. Lieutenant Colonel Harmar is requested to attend the Discipline and Brigade Major Bradford the Formation.

Colonels Spencer and Craige and Majors T. L. Moore and Burrowes will take command of them under Brigadier General Hand.

The Battalions are to be formed in the field contiguous to the Grand Parade half past four in the morning.

Hand's and Maxwell's give the Adjutants and Colours.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Monday, July 10, 1780.

Parole Morocco. Countersigns P., N.

Watchword New York.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Ogden Major Torrey Brigade Major Church

The 3d. Jersey Regiment to be in readiness at 4 o'clock Tomorrow morning; the Commanding officers of it present will call at Head quarters this afternoon and receive Orders.

AFTER ORDERS

At a Division General Court martial held by order of Major General St. Clair the 6th. instant Major Grier president: Lieutenant Andrew Lytel²¹ of the 5th. Pennsylvania regiment charged with, “Issuing State Stores in a partial manner and for refusing to comply with his Arrest when Arrested by Captain Butler²² his superior officer.”

Acquitted of the first part of the charge but found Guilty of refusing to comply with his Arrest and sentenc'd to be reprimanded in Division Orders.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence of the Court with respect to the Acquittal of Mr. Lytle on the first part of the Charge but disapproves it with respect to the reprimand.

As a Person employ'd to distribute the Stores from the State Mr. Lytle could only be Arrested by the order of the commanding officer of the Troops belonging to the State present or by those of the Commander in Chief. As an officer in the Army Captain Butler not being his commanding officer though a senior one had no

21. Lieut. Andrew Lytle. He was transferred to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783. and served to November, 1783.

22. Capt. Thomas Butler, of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

right himself to Arrest Mr. Lytle.

Superior rank without Command does not give a power of Arresting but in a very few particular Cases: And the General cannot dismiss this Subject without expressing his sincere Wishes to see Harmony and a Spirit of accomodation prevail thro' out the Army and He thinks proper to add that He has been greatly pained to find of late that there have been but too many trifling and frivolous causes made Subjects of Arrests to our great disreputation and to a most irksome increase of duty and where Discipline did not appear to be much the object or to be materially concerned in the Business.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is appointed President is to assemble tomorrow morning, the hour appointed in yesterday's orders at the House lately occupied by General Irvine near the Marquis's and General Knox's quarters.

Hand's Brigade gives a Captain in addition to those ordered yesterday for this Court.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Tuesday, July 11, 1780.

Parole Hanover. Countersigns Haerlem, Hull.

Watchword Be Alert.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Maxwell Major Trescott Brigade Major Bradford

The General Court martial whereof Colonel

Butler is president to sit tomorrow morning 8 o'clock at the Place mention'd in yesterday's after orders: The members are desired to be punctual in their Attendance.

Mr. Pomeroy²³ Quarters at Mr. Peter Doreamus's on the Pompton road.

Major Reid is appointed Field officer of the Day for this day vice Major Torrey absent.

AFTER ORDERS

The Order of the 12th. of May last relative to exercising and Disciplining the Troops is to be strictly observed till further orders except the morning exercise to begin at 4 o'clock and the Troops to exercise in the morning by regiments instead of Companies.

The greatest Attention to be paid to the instruction of Recruits and drafts agreeable to Chapter 5th. of the regulations also the manœuvring Battalions instead of being detach'd from the Line to be furnish'd by Brigades in Battalions. The 2d. Pennsylvania and Hand's brigades each give a Battalion of 96 files to be paraded half past 4 tomorrow morning at the usual place.

Two Field officers from each of those brigades for this Duty. General Maxwell will command.

Lieutenant Colonel Harmar is requested to attend the Discipline.

23. Ralph Pomeroy.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Wednesday, July 12, 1780.

Parole Salem. Countersigns O., E.

Watchword Prepare.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Hand Major T. L. Moore Brigade Major from Maxwell's brigade

A Collier³⁹ from each Brigade except the 1st Pennsylvania to be sent to Major Bruen⁴⁰ this Afternoon.

The Post office is kept near the two Bridges.

A Noncommissioned officer or Trusty soldier to be sent from each Guard that is included in the general Details to the Grand Parade at Guard mounting every morning with a Report of the same and to serve as Guides to the New Guards.

AFTER ORDERS

Captain McGowan⁴¹ is to do the Duty of brigade Major in General Hand's Brigade 'till Lieutenant Colonel Commandt. Butler's health permits him to join his Regiment.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Thursday, July 13, 1780.

Parole Bethlehem. Countersigns Bath, Berm.

Watchword Stoney point.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutt. Colo. Commdt Hubley Brigade Major Van Laer

Major Burrowes is appointed Field officer of the day for this Day vice Major T. L. Moore Indisposed.

39. A charcoal burner.

40. Maj. Peter Bryan Bruin.

41. Maj. John McGowan.

At a Brigade General Court martial held by order of Brigadier General Wayne the 12th. Instant; Colonel Stewart, president; John Williams Soldier in the 2nd. Pennsylvania Regiment Tried for Deserting to the Enemy and bearing Arms in their Service. Pled Guilty.

The Court Sentence him to suffer Death, (more than two thirds agreeing thereto) but from his Youth and former good Character the Court beg leave to recommend him to the Commander in Chief.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence: but in Consequence of the Court's Recommendation and for the reasons they have assigned the General thinks proper to pardon the Prisoner and he is pardoned accordingly and to be released from Confinement.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Friday, July 14, 1780.

Parole Tartary. Countersigns Tweed, Wolfe.

Watchword Bravery.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson Lieutenant Colonel De Hart Brigade Major McGowan

Colonel Spencer is appointed to superintend the Hospitals in Jersey. He will call at the Orderly Office for Instructions.

Two Battalions of Eighty files each to parade at the usual time on the manœuvring Parade from Maxwell's and

Stark's Brigades under the command of Brigadier General Hand. Two Field Officers from each of these Brigades for this Duty. Lieutenant Colonel Barber to attend the Discipline. The Sub Inspectors will in future attend the Discipline in Turn.

No more Rum to be drawn for the Guards or Picquets except in rainy Weather.

It was omitted in the General Order of the 18th of June last to mention that the Adjutant General and his Assistants are to wear a Red and Green Feather in their Hats and the uniforms of their Corps.

It is expected that the Order referred to above will be carried into immediate execution.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Saturday, July 15, 1780.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Lieutenant Colonel North Brigade Major Bradford

AFTER ORDERS

Captain Thomas Campbell of the 4 Pennsylvania Regiment appeared before the Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President, charged with unofficerlike behavior in taking a number of Men belonging to the 6th. Pennsylvania regiment and refusing to give them up when Demanded.

It appearing to the Court that the only Cause of this Trial was to determine the Property in the Men said to belong to the 6th. Pennsylvania Regiment; as a dispute had happened respecting it the Court thought it best to recommend to the Parties to have three officers chosen, not belonging either to the 4th. or 6th. Pennsylvania Regiments and leave it to them to determine to which Regiment the Men belong. It being agreed to by the Parties the Court recommend a releasement of Captain Campbel from his Arrest.

The Commander in Chief approves of the Mode recommended by the Court and Capt. Campbel is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Sunday, July 16, 1780.

Parole Winchester. Countersigns Why, Whiz.

Watchword Whereabouts.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Hazen Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major Maxwell's Brigade

As the ensuing Campaign will in all Probability be peculiarly Interesting the Commander in Chief is desirous of having a well composed Corps of Light Infantry which cannot fail to be extremely useful in our operations: He therefore determines that one Company shall be drawn from each Regiment which shall finally be proportioned to the general strength of the Regiments so as not to be too large a diminution but for the present shall consist of one Captain, one Lieutenant or Ensign, three serjeants one Drum one Fife and Twenty Rank and File.

The General is persuaded that the Officers commanding Regiments will be very careful in the choice of the Men for these Companies as the good of the service and the honor of their Regiments will be materially concerned in it; The Men should be mostly of a middle size, Active, robust and Trusty, and the first Twenty must be all old Soldiers the remainder will have a proportion of Levies: These Companies will with this Part of the Army assemble at the Grand Parade on Tuesday next nine o'Clock to be Inspected by the Inspector General or Assistant Inspector General who will reject all such as are improper for the service to be replaced by others.

The Commanding officer at West Point will appoint a day for the same purpose as soon as possible after the receipt of this order. The Companies after they are inspected will rejoin their regiments untill further orders.

The Recruits or Drafts who are unacquainted with their Duty and are under the drill, to be included in the returns amongst the Effective rank and file and those who are inserted in the column "fit for duty" are to be deducted therefrom in the same manner as those "Wanting Arms &ca."

Two Battalions of Eighty files each from the 2d. Pennsylvania and Hand's Brigades to manœuvre at the usual Time and place Tomorrow: Two Field officers from each of those brigades to be appointed for this duty. General Irvine will command them.

A Trusty serjeant who can write a good hand is wanted for a Provost Marshal.

AFTER ORDERS

Twenty five men to be paraded Tomorrow morning at Guard mounting on the Grand Parade without Arms, furnished with two days Provision. They are to be sent to Morristown to bring on some Waggon: a Serjeant from the 1st. Pennsylvania brigade and

one from Stark's to conduct them.

A Captain from Hand's brigade to attend the General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President, vice a Captain promoted.

Details of Waggoners 1st. Pennsylvania 7 2nd 6 Hand's 5 Maxwell's 4 Stark's 3 25

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Monday, July 17, 1780.

Parole Europe. Countersigns S., B.

Watchword Diligence.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Shreve Lieutenant Colonel Conway Brigade Major Van Lear

Lieutenant James McCulloch⁸⁰ of the 5th Pennsylvania regiment is Appointed Quarter Master to the same from the 1st. of June last, vice Lieutenant Lytle on extra service.

The superintendant of Cattle or livestock with the Army is in future on every Monday morning to make Return to the Commissary General of Issues of the number of Cattle, Sheep or other livestock received and delivered by him the preceeding Week and also of the Number on Hand in order that such Return may be Inserted in the weekly return of Stores Issued and on Hand and the State of the Supplies of every kind from Time to Time be exactly known to the Commander in Chief.

A Waggoner from the drafts of the first

80. He died in July, 1782.

Pennsylvania brigade to be sent to the Marquis De La Fayette.

A Serjeant, Corporal and twelve men from Hand's and Maxwell's Brigades to be sent to Major Bruin's Quarters 6 o'clock Tomorrow morning with their Arms and two Days Provision: Mr. Shute will give them directions.

The Commander in Chief requests that in forming the Light Companies the most particular Attention may be paid to the choice of the noncommission'd officers.

He wishes the Size of the Men to be from five feet eight to five feet ten Inches mostly the latter.

The Commander in Chief has observed with pain that a mistake which was natural and excuseable in the Commencement of the Army still prevails among many officers; That of attending only to what they call the Essentials and neglecting the Minutia of military service. It is high time at this advanced Period of our Establishment after having made War more than Five years to discard ideas which only suited the inexperience of a new Formation and to Adopt those principles which prevail in European Armies: the result of long Practice and Experience Truly speaking there is nothing unessential and many of those things which seem to be regarded as such by being neglected may involve the fate of an Army.

Our System has been simplified as much as it would bear and every thing of useless ornament has been rejected what remains therefore ought to be rigidly observed.

We shall soon have occasion to act in Conjunction with the troops of our Allies who to all the superior Qualities add a scrupulous exactness in those Matters in which We are defective and on which they Justly set a high value.

It will not be enough that we Possess those Military Virtues, that Bravery Patience and Obedience which distinguish our

Troops. The Credit of our Arms will greatly depend on a punctilious observance of the minutest parts of Military duty.

Notwithstanding the pains that have been repeatedly taken to impress the Necessity of Exactness in the Service of Guards, there is Still a mortifying deficiency though acknowledged to be of the greatest Importance. Our Sentinels are peculiarly delinquent consulting neither what is necessary to appearance nor security.

The General exhorts the Officers of every Rank to be indefatigable in their Exertions to correct these defect.

Soldiers who have so many excellent qualities ought not to suffer the merit of them to be sullied or diminished by a negligence of things which to Wish is to attain.

An American Soldier equal in Bravery, in Capacity equal; superior in Patience Fortitude and Patriotism to any other should scorn to be Inferior in anything.

It is hoped the Troops will be particularly Zealous in their Exercise and Manœuvres and that the Recruits will be instructed with the utmost Care and Diligence strictly conforming to the Regulations.

AFTER ORDERS

Two Captains from the Park of Artillery to attend the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Butler is President, vice Captains Irvine⁸¹ and Steel.⁸²

The Companies of Light Infantry are to parade for Inspection on the Grand Parade tomorrow at the time order'd.

81. Capt. Andrew Irvine, of the Seventh Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Paoli in September, 1777; transferred to the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

82. Capt. John Steele, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Brandywine in September, 1777; transferred to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781; retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Tuesday, July 18, 1780.

Parole Portugal. Countersigns Poland, Peru.

Watchword Stand by.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Maxwell Major Thayer Brigade Major McGowan

Two Battalions of Eighty Files each to manœuvre tomorrow morning at the usual hour and Place from Maxwell's and Stark's Brigades. Each of those brigades to give two Field officers for this duty. General Hand to Command.

Some inconveniencies having been represented in adhering to the order of yesterday respecting the Size of the men for the light Companies; it is dispensed with as to those who were already formed or who were formerly in the Corps, but all the new men must be of the Standard then given.

The light companies to be paraded on the Grand Parade tomorrow morning eight o'clock for Inspection except those of the first Pennsylvania brigade.

William Hutton Provost Marshal was tried the 12th. Instant, at the General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President "For Aiding and Assisting Samuel Harris in making his escape from the Provost Guard who was confined for Counterfeiting the Continental Bills of Credit.

The Court are of opinion that William Hutton, is not Guilty of the Charge exhibited against him.

The General confirms the opinion of the Court.

Hutton is to be released from Confinement.

John De Armour, soldier in Colonel Angells regiment was tried the 11th. instant at a Division General Court martial whereof Colonel Angell is President for "Attempting to pass the Sentries of General Hand's brigade at 11 o'clock on the evening of the 8th. Instant with his Arms Accoutrements and Pack; also for endeavouring to persuade the Sentinel who stopped him to leave his Post and go off with him."

Found Guilty and sentenced (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto) to Suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence.

Lieutenant Colonel Stewart is appointed Field officer of the day for this Day vice Lieutenant Colonel Conway absent.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Wednesday, July 19, 1780.

Parole Denmark. Countersigns Drum, Fife.

Watchword Look-about.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Major Church Brigade Major Bradford

MORNING ORDERS

Brigadier General Hand is appointed officer of the day this Day vice Brigadier General Maxwell who has obtained leave of Absence.

The Light Infantry Companies that have past Inspection are not to be sent on Detachments or any other Command

far distant from Camp unless especially directed in general orders: their duty is to be restricted to Picquets, Camp guards and the ordinary duties within the Limits of Camp in common with the Battalion Men.

As it is much wish'd to establish uniformity in the Corps; the officers are directed not to make any Changes in the dress of themselves or their Men 'till orders are given for a general rule.

The Feathers directed to be worn by Major Generals are to have the White below the black above: it will be best to have one Feather the upper part black.

It is recommended to the officers to have black and White Cockades; a black Ground with a white relief emblematic of the expected union of the two Armies.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Thursday, July 20, 1780.

Parole United States. Countersigns France, Force.

Watchword Unanimity.

Of the Day Tomorrow Major Reid Brigade Major Jersey Brigade

The Commander in Chief has the pleasure to Congratulate the Army on the Arrival of a large Land and Naval Armament at Rhode Island sent by his most Christian Majesty to Cooperate with the Troops of these States against the Common Enemy accompanied with every Circumstance that can render it honorable and useful.

The Generosity of this succour and the manner in which it is given is a new Tie between France and America The Lively concern which our Allies manifest for our Safety and Independence has a Claim to the Affection of every Virtuous Citizen. The General with confidence assures the Army that the Officers and Men of the French Forces come to our Aid animated with a Zeal founded

in Sentiment for us as well as in Duty to their Prince and that they will do every thing in their Power to promote Harmony and cultivate Friendship. He is equally persuaded that on our Part we shall vie with them in their good dispositions to which we are excited by Gratitude as well as by a common Interest; and that the only contention between the two Armies will be to excel each other in good offices and in the display of every Military Virtue. This will be the Pledge of the most solid advantages to the common Cause and of a glorious Issue to the Campaign.

The second Pennsylvania brigade is to move this afternoon from their present Ground and encamp upon the most convenient ground upon the left of the First.

Agreeable to the General Order of the 15th. Instant relative to certain Men claimed by the 4th. and 6th. Pennsylvania Regiments; a Court of Enquiry have reported that the Inlistments of Gilbert Moore, Hugh McEbrary,⁸³ William Faulkner and James McBride, Soldiers ought to stand good and that they are the property of the 6th. Pennsylvania regiment.

The Men are to join the 6th. Regiment accordingly.

John Swan, John Scott and Peter Witherspoon were tried by the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Butler is President, on suspicion of being Spies and Acquitted.

The General confirms the Acquittal and orders them released from Confinement.

83. Hugh McEllevey. He served to 1783.

AFTER ORDERS

Captain Ogden⁸⁴ of the Jersey Brigade is appointed to do the duty of Brigade Major in the same until the return of Major Ross.⁸⁵

Captain Johnson⁸⁶ of General Clinton's brigade with the Detachment under his command in the Clove is to rejoin said Brigade.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Friday, July 21, 1780.

Parole Hampton. Countersigns O., G.

Watchword Here we are.

Of the Day Tomorrow Major Trescott Brigade Major McGowan

AFTER ORDERS

The Men last drafted into the Commander in Chief's Guards are to be returned on Command in the regiments from which they were drafted; but to draw Pay and Clothing in the Guard.

84. Capt. Aaron Ogden, of the First New Jersey Regiment. He was wounded at Yorktown, Va., in October, 1781, and served to the close of the war.

85. Maj. John Ross, of the Second New Jersey Regiment. He was made brigade inspector to November, 1780; retired in January, 1781; served, subsequently, as lieutenant colonel in the New Jersey Militia in 1782.

86. Capt. John Johnson, of the Fifth New York Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Saturday, July 22, 1780.

Parole Susquehannah. Countersigns Troop, Tattoo.

Watchword Confederation.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Hazen Brigade Major Bradford

AFTER ORDERS

Thomas Brown of the 7th. Pennsylvania regiment was tried the 12th. Instant at the Division General Court martial whereof Colonel Angell was President, for "Plundering the Inhabitants while on Command at Paramus and abusing a Woman" Pied Guilty. The Court considering the great irregularity of his general Conduct, that he was lately capitally condemned for the same Crime and pardon'd Sentenced him to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence.

As in the course of the Campaign a good Corps of Sappers and Miners will be extremely useful and absolutely necessary the General directs that one man be drawn from each regiment for this purpose; an able bodied man, intelligent, a Sober, and engaged for the War. Those of this Part of the Army are to Assemble the day after tomorrow at Guard mounting.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Sunday, July 23, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

Of the Day Tomorrow Colonel Shreve Brigade Major Ogden

Two Battalions for manœuvring tomorrow from Maxwell's and Stark's brigades: General Hand to Command.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Monday, July 24, 1780.

Parole Farmington. Countersigns Greece, Goa.

Watchword Conquer.

For the day Tomorrow Colonel Jackson Brigade Major Van Laer

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President, to assemble tomorrow morning Eight o clock at the place where they last sat.

A Captain from the 4th. regiment of Light Dragoons to attend the Court in the room of one of the Captains from Hand's Brigade.

The Men drafted for the Corps of Sappers and Miners agreeable to the order of the 22d. Instant are to be sent to the Grand Parade tomorrow at Guard mounting.

AFTER ORDERS

In Committee of Congress, Camp Pracaness, July 23, 1780.

The Commander in Chief having laid before the Committee a letter to Him from the Honorable Jeremiah Powell, President of the State of Massachusetts Bay of the 4th. day of May last inclosing a copy of the Act of the Legislature of said State which is in the Words following (vizt.)

“State of Massachusetts Bay

“In the House of Representatives, May 4th. 1780.

“Whereas the Regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Jackson rais'd by this State and considered by Congress as part of her Quota in the Continental Army have suffered many inconveniencies from their disarrangement in the Line of this State. Therefore.

“Resolved That the Regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Jackson in the Continental Army be and hereby are deemed and considered to belong to the line of the State of Massachusetts Bay in said Army and shall for the future be entitled to receive all benefits and Advantages arising to the said line and that the Major part of the Council be desired to address a Letter to his Excellency General Washington requesting Him to arrange and Number the said Regiment in the line of the said State according to their Rank.

“Resolved By and with the advice of the Commander in Chief that the regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Jackson one of the Additional Corps be and is hereby annexed to the Massachusetts Line in the Continental Army and shall hence forth be considered and called the 16th regiment in the Massachusetts line of Continental Troops. Provided that nothing herein contained shall be considered or taken to be a credit to the State of Massachusetts bay for more of the non commissioned officers and Soldiers than were Citizens of that State at the time of their Engagement in said corps.

“ (Signed) Phil: Schuyler

“ John Matthews

“ Nath: Peabody ”

In Committee of Congress, Camp Pracaness, July 23, 1780

The Commander in Chief having laid before the Committee an Act of the State of Connecticut which is in the Words following to wit:

“At a General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the state of Connecticut in America holden at Hartford on the 2d. Thursday of May, Anno Dom. 1780.

“Upon the Memorial of Ebenezer Huntington Esq. Lieutenant Colonel Commandant of the Battalion of the Army of the United States raised in this State of which Samuel B. Webb Esq. now a prisoner of War is Colonel shewing to this Assembly that although said Battalion hath received Bounties refreshments and all allowance as the eight Battalions raised in this State have had and received notwithstanding they have not been explicitly adopted by this State and added to their Line in the aforesaid Army which is inconvenient to this State

and to said Battalion as pr Memorial on file.

“Resolved by this Assembly that the aforesaid Battalion in the Army of the United States raised in this State and commanded by Samuel B. Webb Esq. as Colonel be and the same is adopted claimed and declared to be one of the Battalions of this State in the Army of the United States and of the Connecticut line in the said Army, and the Congress of the United States and the Commander in Chief of their Army are desired to consider said battalion as being part of the line of this State in said Army and to order and treat them as such accordingly.

“A true Copy of record George Wyllis , Secy.

“Resolved By and with the advice of the Commander in Chief that the regiment whereof Samuel B. Webb Esq. is Colonel now commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Ebenezer Huntington and one of the additional Corps be and hereby is annexed to the Connecticut line in the Continental Army and shall henceforth be considered and called the 9th. Regiment in the Connecticut line of the Continental Troops. Provided that nothing herein contained shall be considered or taken to be a Credit to the State of Connecticut for more of the noncommissioned officers and Soldiers than were Citizens of that State at the time of their Engagements in said Corps.

“ Phil. Schuyler

“ John Matthews

“ Nat Peabody ”

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Tuesday, July 25, 1780.

Parole Dartmouth. Countersigns Drum, Dee.

Watchword Remember.

For the day Tomorrow Colonel Angell Brigade Major Ogden²⁷

AFTER ORDERS

Major Thomas L. Moore is appointed a Member of the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Butler is President vice Major Edwards going on Command.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Wednesday, July 26, 1780.

Parole Parma. Countersigns F., B.

Watchword Circumspect.

For the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel North Brigade Major Bradford

Instead of the light Infantry directed by the order of the 16th. instant, the 1st. and 3d. Pennsylvania regiments will furnish a company of rifle men each of forty two rank and file. If these regiments have not the number of riflemen requisite the deficiency is to be drawn from the other regiments of that line and the aforementioned regiments will furnish an equal number of men to the others

in Exchange. Major Parr will take command of these two Companies and will take immediate measures for preparing Arms and Accoutrements.

Robert Thomas Johnson Richards was tried at a General Court Martial whereof Colonel Richard Butler is President, for

27. Maj. Aaron Ogden.

“Being a Spy.” The Court are of opinion the Charge is not supported and do acquit him. He is to be released from Confinement.

At the same Court, Wait Warden and Ebenezer Hill of the 1st. Connecticut regiment were tried for stealing a barrel of flour from Commissary Gamble: found Guilty of a breach of Article 5 Section 18 of the Articles of War and sentenced to receive one hundred lashes each on their bare backs.

Lieutenant Bonham³⁰ of the 1st. Jersey regiment was tried at the same Court on the following Charge vizt. “That from inattention or other misconduct he suffer'd John Quail and Daniel Diamond, two prisoners, to escape, the latter a prisoner of War.”

The Court do acquit Lieutenant Bonham of inattention and misconduct with respect to the escape of the prisoners mention'd in the Charge against him.

The Commander in Chief approves the acquittal Lieutenant Bonham is releas'd from Arrest.

The sentences against Warden and Hill are confirm'd and order'd to be put in execution tomorrow morning at Guard mounting on the Grand Parade.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Thursday, July 27, 1780.

Parole Maryland. Countersigns Naples, Now.

W:Word Prepare.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Brigade Major Van Lear

The Army will hold itself in readiness to march at the shortest notice.

The Two rifle companies directed to be formed

30. Lieut. Absalom Bonham. He had been transferred to the Second New Jersey Regiment and served to April, 1783.

in the order of yesterday will for the present only consist of twenty rank and file pr Company, they are to be completed to forty two from the Levies who are fit for this Service, as fast as they arrive.

At a General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President the 14th. Instant, Captain John Reily⁵³ was tried on the following Charges:

“1st. Disobedience of orders, also unofficerlike and ungentlemanlike behavior, by first informing his commanding officer that he was fit for duty and not returning to it for upwards of nine months after said declaration.

2d. For instead of joining his regiment and doing duty in the same, he applied himself to making money by following his former profession to the prejudice of the regiment he belonged to in particular and to the United States in General.

3d. For claiming rank in the 3d Pennsylvania regiment upwards of nine Months after he informed the commanding officer he would not again join it.”

The Court are of opinion with respect to the charge of disobedience of orders exhibited against Captain Reilly that although he did not return to Camp agreeable to the order of Colonel Craige, his situation with respect to health excuses him for a breach of it, and they do therefore, acquit him of that Charge. With respect to the first instance of unofficerlike and ungentlemanlike behavior,

on the second Charge against Captain Reilly it appears to the Court that Captain Reilley did inform his Commanding officer that he was fit for duty, when at the same time it appears by his Allegations he did not consider himself in that situation which Conduct they consider unofficerlike and ungentlemanlike and a breach of that part of Article 5th., Section 18th. of the Articles of War which respects disorderly conduct; It also appears that Captain Reilley did not return to his duty for upwards of nine Months

53. Capt. John Reily (Reiley), of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded at Bonhampton, N.J., in April, 1777; transferred to the Invalid Regiment in August, 1780; served to June, 1783.

after he declared to his Commanding Officer he was fit for duty, but the situation of Captain Reilleys health in their opinion excuses him for not returning to it and they do therefore acquit him of this part of the Charge. With respect to the 2nd. instance under the 2nd. Charge, it does not appear to the Court that while Captain Reilley was absent from his regiment he applied himself to making Money as charged; they do therefore acquit him of unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior in this instance.

With respect to the third instance under the second Charge it does not appear to the Court that Captain Reilley's conduct was unofficerlike or ungentlemanlike. The Court do sentence Captain Reilley to be reprimanded in the orders of the Brigade to which he belongs.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence of the Court and orders it to be carried into Execution.

The officers for the Companies of riflemen are to be such as are acquainted with the nature of that service.

A Captain, sub and three serjeants are to be appointed to each Company of riflemen from the regiments from which the men are drafted.

Captain Simpson⁵⁴ is to be relieved immediately by a Captain from the second Pennsylvania Brigade.

AFTER ORDERS

Two subs Two serjeants, two Corporals and twenty five privates to parade tomorrow morning at Guard mounting on the Grand Parade with their Arms, Packs and two days provisions.

54. Capt. Michael Simpson, of the First Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Pracaness, Friday, July 28, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns L., P.

Watchword Attention.

Of the Day Tomorrow Lieutenant Colonel Stewart Brigade Major McGowan

The Army, except the Jersey Brigade, will march tomorrow morning by the Left in the following order Vizt. Stirling's Division: Park of Artillery: Flying Hospital: Baggage of General Staff: Pennsylvania Division: Baggage of the Army in the order of the Brigades: Quarter Master General's Stores: Commissary Generals Stores: Cavalry which will detach patrols on the parallel roads of the right Flank.

The General will beat at two o Clock: the Assemblé at half past two and the march will commence precisely at three. Guards as usual. The Quarter Master General will furnish the route. The General expects the strictest regularity will be maintain'd in the March.

Maxwell's Brigade will remain on its present ground 'till further orders: the 3d. Jersey regiment will immediately join it.

AFTER ORDERS

The Quarter Master General is providing the Complement of Waggons to Transport the Tents and baggage of the Troops, but should there be a deficiency, it is not to prevent the march of the troops; small Guards are to be left with what cannot be carried away to follow as soon as possible.

Lieutenant Colonel Mentges will command the rear and Lieutenant Colonel Stewart the Advance Guard tomorrow.

Lieutenant Colonel Harmar will take the Command of the 7th. Pennsylvania regiment with the rank he now holds for the present.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Paramus, Saturday, July 29, 1780.

Parole Barrington. Countersigns Bern, Brest.

W: Word Look-out.

Of the Day Tomorrow Major Torrey Brigade Major Bradford

The Guards to parade in the road opposite the Park of Artillery at 4 o'clock this Afternoon.

The Tents to be pitched as soon as the Baggage comes to the ground: and the Troops to be held in perfect readiness to march at the shortest notice.

AFTER ORDERS 6 O'CLOCK

The Picquets and Guards to parade tomorrow morning at the usual hour.

AFTER ORDERS HALFPAST EIGHT O'CLOCK,

The General to beat at Two o'clock tomorrow morning. Half past two the Assembly and the Army to move at three agreeable to the order of march of yesterday. The Quarter Master General will give the route.

The General was chagrined to day to observe irregularities which at this period of the Service are inexcuseable. He hopes for the greatest Attention to punctuality and discipline in future

The Advance Guard which will be composed of the new camp Guards will parade on the Left of Stark's brigade to be commanded by Major Torrey. The rear Guard which will be composed of the old Camp Guards to parade by the Church and be commanded by Lieutenant Colo. Stewart. A Subaltern and Twenty men from Stirling's division to be detached as a baggage Guard and a Sub and twenty Eight from St. Clair's for the same purpose.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Kakeate, Sunday, July 30, 1780.

Parole Rhode Island. Countersigns X., M.

Watchword Hopewell.

Of the Day Tomorrow Major Church Brigade Major, 1 Pennsa. Brigade

A Sub, Serjeant, Corporal and twentyfour privates from the Pennsylvania division to relieve the Provost Guard at the old meeting house at two o'clock this afternoon: to furnish a serjeant, corporal and twelve for the Quarter Master General, and a Corporal and three for the Commissary General of Forage.

A Corporal and Six men from General Hand's Brigade to mount at the Adjutant General's immediately.

Each Division to furnish Guards for its own security.

AFTER ORDERS

The General to beat at one; the Assemblé at half past one. The Troops will march and Park move at two o'clock by the Left. The Baggage to follow in the rear of the whole. Each Division will furnish its own Advanced, Rear and Baggage Guards.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Monday, July 31, 1780.

Parole Resolution. Countersigns Successfull, Campaign.

Watchword, Dispatch.

The Army is instantly to disencumber itself of all its baggage and one half the Tents of both Officers and Privates to be stored at Westpoint leaving a noncommissioned officer of each regiment to take care of them.

A Field Return by Brigades to be made this evening at seven o'clock to the Adjutant General, specifying the number of men fit for Action, the number of Arms with Bayonets, the number without bayonets, the number of Cartouch boxes, the Quantity of Ammunition and the deficiencies of these several Articles.

All detachments and out guards to be called in and the Baggage Guards which move with the Army to be reduced to a noncommissioned officer and eight men per Brigade.

The Troops are to be immediately completed to forty rounds pr man.

All the Artificers are to be collected and held in readiness to march with their Chests of Tools and a return to be immediately made to the Quarter master General of the Number, of their respective occupations, and of the departments to which they belong.

All the intrenching Tools to be collected and delivered to the order of Lieutenant Colonel Gouvion of the corps of Engineers.

A number of Arms being arrived at King's ferry an immediate Application is to be made for deficiencies and the Arms without Bayonets are to be exchanged for the remainder in proportion to the Wants of the several regiments.

If there are any Cartouch boxes at the Park they are also to be delivered. Returns are to be made for these Articles to General Knox who will give the necessary orders.

The General officers and Commandants of regiments are requested to be at Head Quarters this evening at eight o'clock.

Each division to furnish Guards for its own security.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Tuesday, August 1, 1780.

Parole Copenhagen. Countersigns K., F.

Watchword Discipline.

'Till the absent Corps join the Army and a more complete Arrangement can be made for the Campaign the following formation for the Light Infantry is to take place.

New Hampshire Brigade to furnish 3 Companies New York ditto including State Troops 5 do. Commanded by 8 Companies 1 battalion Colo Cortlandt Maj. Galvan Massachusetts 1st. and 2nd brigades 8 do 1 do Colo Sheppard Maj. Trescott Ditto 3d and 4th. ditto 8 do 1 do Colo Gimat Maj. Keith⁶

The Above three battalions will form a Brigade under Brigadier General Poor

Connecticut 1st. and 2d. Brigades 8 Companies 1 battaln. Swift Clift New Jersey 4 do. Hands 3 do. Starks 3 do. 10—8 of which will form a battalion commanded by Colo. Ogden Major Thayer

6. Maj. James Keith, of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

Pennsylvania 1st. and 2d Brigades 6 Two Companies of Hands 2 8 1 Batallion Colonel Stewart Maj. McPherson⁷

The above three Battalions will form a Brigade, under Brigadier General Hand.

The first four battalions will remain as the Companies have been already formed by the Inspector General.

The last two Battalions will consist for the present of thirty two rank and file to each company to be immediately completed to this number.

Each Battalion will have an Adjutant-Quartermaster who will also do the duty of Paymaster, a surgeon and Mate, a serjeant-Major and Quartermaster serjeant, eight drums and fifes.

Each Brigade will have: 1 Brigade Quarter Master; 1 ditto Commissary; 1 ditto Forage Master; 1 ditto Waggon-master; 1 ditto Conductor with a forge and two armourers.

These Appointments are immediately to be made. Each brigade will have two Field Pieces, These battalions to parade at Verplanks point, three o'clock this afternoon to be reviewed and formed by the Inspector General.

The General entreats the officers commanding Divisions and brigades to exert themselves to get in readiness as fast as possible and as fast as they are ready they are to move towards the New bridge on Croton river.

Convalescents and such men as are otherwise absolutely unfit to march yet capable of duty in a fixed post are to be left at

7. Maj. William Macpherson. He was aide to Lincoln in June, 1781, and to the close of the war. On August 2 the majors of the Pennsylvania line protested to Washington this appointment of Macpherson to the light infantry as an injury to their rank. The protest is in the *Washington Papers* and indorsed by Robert Hanson Harrison: "Verbally answd."

Verplanks and Stoney points with a Captain and two subalterns at each; the detachments of Infantry now there will join their respective Corps tomorrow morning.

All the Women and Children of the Army are also to be left at these Posts for a few days where the commanding officers will see that they are furnished with rations as usual.

General Poors and Clinton's brigades each give a Subaltern to act as Adjutant and Quartermaster, also a capable serjeant for Serjeant-Major and Quartermaster serjeant for the regiment of Light Infantry to be commanded by Colonel Cortlandt: a Surgeon from General Clinton's and a mate from General Poors for the same.

The first and second Massachusetts brigades give two Subs, a Surgeon, Mate, and two serjeants for the regiment to be commanded by Colonel Sheppard.

The third and fourth Massachusetts brigades give two Subs, a Surgeon, Mate and two Serjeants for the regiments to be commanded by Colonel Gimat.

The Connecticut line gives two Subs, a Surgeon, Mate and two Serjeants for the regiment to be commanded by Colonel Swift.

The Jersey and Stark's brigades give each a Sub and Serjeant the former a Surgeon and the latter a mate for the regiment commanded by Colonel Ogden.

The Pennsylvania regiments give two Subs, a Surgeon, Mate and two serjeants for the regiment commanded by Colonel Stewart, to act in the abovementioned Capacities.

AFTER ORDERS

The Safety of the Baggage of the Army being an object of great importance the Commander in Chief directs that

in addition to the order of yesterday, a subaltern officer from each brigade be sent with it to Westpoint who is to take charge of that of his own brigade see it properly deposited there and remain with it untill further orders.

Orders will be issued daily at twelve o'clock and at five in the afternoon. The most punctual attendance for orders is expected.

The 4th. Pennsylvania regiment is to join the first Pennsylvania brigade, the 11th. Pennsylvania regiment is to join the second brigade; Hazen's regiment will join Poor's brigade and Livingston's is to form a Battalion with Spencer's in the Jersey Brigade.

The following will be the order of Battle for the present. The right wing commanded by Major General Greene will consist of two divisions in the first line and one division in the second line.

1st. Line Right Wing Right: 1st and 2d. Pennsylvania brigades will compose one Division commanded by Major General St. Clair. Left: New Jersey and New York brigades will compose one Division commanded by Major General Lord Stirling.

2d. Line Right Wing 1st. and 2nd. Connecticut Brigades will compose one division commanded by the Eldest Brigadier.

The Left Wing commanded by Major General Arnold⁸ will consist of two Divisions in the first line and one Division in the second line.

1st. Line Left Wing Right: 1st. and 2nd Massachusett's Brigades will compose one Division commanded by Major General Howe. Left: Stark's and Poor's brigades will compose one division commanded by Major General McDougall.

Second Line 3d and 4th Massachusetts brigades will compose one Division commanded by Maj. Genl. B. de Steuben.

The two Brigades of Light Infantry will compose a Division and form the Advanced corps of the Army.

8. Arnold demurred to this assignment, pleading that his unhealed wound forbade his serving in an active command in the field. He was then given the command at West Point.

Major General the Marquis de la Fayette will command it for the Campaign; in his absence Major General St. Clair is requested to take the command.

EVENING ORDERS

The whole corps of Light Infantry is to be paraded tomorrow ten o'clock on the same ground they were paraded on this afternoon, where the Brigades and Battalions will be formed and after wards will encamp by themselves.

The men will have all their Baggage and Camp equipage with them. The Quarter Masters are to be on the Ground to lay out the Camp. All the Inspectors and Sub Inspectors will attend.

A return of Shoes and linnen overalls actually wanting by the Pennsylvania line, the Artillery and Hazen's, Angell's and Webb's regiments are to be made at nine o'clock tomorrow morning without fail.

A return to be made tomorrow morning to the Quarter master General at Verplank's point of all the Waggons and the number of waggon horses employed in every department, by the officers who have the immediate superintendency of them.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Wednesday, August 2, 1780.

Parole Halifax. Countersigns Kent, Lyme.

Watchword Liberty.

The order of yesterday directing the Troops to move to the Newbridge on Croton is suspended; but the troops are to continue preparing for a march and each Division is to report at

Headquarters when it is ready. Those that are not ready to day are to report at seven o'clock tomorrow morning the deficiencies and the causes.

An immediate return is to be made of the proportion of recruits which have formerly served in the Army or otherwise for a continued term of three months and upwards distinguishing the terms they have served and the kind of service whether as continental, state troops or militia.

Tomorrow ten o'clock a return is to be made to the Adjutant General of all the recruits that have joined the several lines.

The next day at twelve o'clock an accurate Field return is to be made shewing the number of men we may absolutely employ in time of action excluding any little Guards which must necessarily remain for any particular purpose and which must ever be composed of the Invalids or men least capable of Field duty. This return will also shew in seperate columns such men as are unfit for action, wanting Clothes or Arms though it is hoped there will be few of the former description and

none of the latter as there are a sufficiency of arms on the ground to supply our present wants. The officers will exert themselves to call in all detachments.

As there is a very great scarcity of bayonet belts and scabbards the General directs that the troops keep their bayonets constantly fix'd except when cleaning as well in camp as on every kind of duty whatever with arms. This is to be considered as a standing order.

The Men in the Corps of Sappers and Miners are to be furnished with good french arms and accoutrements from the regiments respectively from which they were drafted.

Lieutenant Welch⁹ of the Corps of Sappers and Miners is appointed Quartermaster to the same.

9. Lieut. John Welch, of the Sappers and Miners. He was regimental quartermaster of Olney's Rhode Island regiment in January, 1782, and served to the close of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Thursday, August 3, 1780.

Parole Hopkinton. Countersigns Hull, Here.

Watchword Hark!

The Army having moved to the present ground in Consequence of the Enemy's dispositions to make a combined attack upon our Allies at Rhode Island, for the purposes of taking such advantages as their absence from New York might afford or obliging them to relinquish their intended Expedition; and the latter having apparently taken place, probably in consequence of the movement on our part, the Army will recross the river tomorrow to prosecute the original plan of the Campaign. The Troops will move by the right and the order of embarkation will be as follows the Baggage of each Division crossing with it: Corps of Light Infantry. Right Wing: Pennsylvania division, Stirling's ditto, Connecticut ditto. Park of Artillery with intrenching tools &ca. Left Wing: Howe's Division,

McDougall's do, Steuben's do. Baggage of Committee of Congress. Commander in Chief and General Staff. Flying Hospital. Quarter Master General's Stores. Commissary General's Stores.

The First Division or Corps of Light Infantry will move so as to be at the Ferry at 4 o Clock in the morning. The other Divisions successively will have two hours previous notice from the Quarter Master General when to be at the place of Embarkation; and will be

punctual in their Movements to prevent delay.

The Adjutant General will draw as many men from the Line as the Quarter master General may demand for assisting in crossing over the Army with Expedition.

The Motives for divesting the Army of its baggage and part of the Tents having ceased they are as soon as possible to return to the Troops.

Lieutenant Colonel Gouvion will take the Command of the Corps of Sappers and Miners.

The Inspectors and Sub Inspectors are requested to attend at the Orderly Office at five o'clock this Afternoon.

Each Division as soon as they arrive at VerPlanks point will turn out two hundred good oarsmen to transport the Baggage of the Division across the Ferry where they are to remain 'till relieved by as many from the next division in the order of march; Also two Field Officers, one to command at each Ferry way. These Field Officers to remain 'till reliev'd by two from the next Division. They will receive particular orders from Major General Greene.

A Detachment from the Line will be turned out to assist in transporting the Waggon and Baggage of the General Staff &ca.

AFTER ORDERS

Major General Arnold will take command of the Garrison at Westpoint and Major General Lord Stirling succeeds to the Command of the left Wing. During Major General St. Clair's Command of the Light Infantry Brigadier General Wayne of course will command the Pennsylvania Division.

Major Pettingal²⁰ of the 9th. Massachusett's regiment is appointed Brigade Inspector to the 4th. Massachusett's brigade from the 25th. of July last.

Captain Ashley²¹ of the 1st Massachusetts regiment (entitled to a Majority) is Appointed Brigade Inspector pro tem: to the 2d. Massachusett's brigade.

20. Maj. Joseph Pettingill (Pettingal), of the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the First Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

21. Capt. Moses Ashley, of the First Massachusetts Regiment. He ranked as major from January, 1780; transferred to the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Friday, August 4, 1780.

Parole Ontario. Countersigns L., A.

Watchword Advance.

EVENING ORDERS

Colonel Livingston with his own regiment, is 'till further orders, to garrison the redoubts at Stoney and Ver Planks points. He will be under the direction of, and make reports to, Major General Arnold commanding at West Point. The Detachments now at those Posts, on the Arrival of that regiment are to join their Brigades.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Saturday, August 5, 1780.

Parole Pomona. Countersigns Quin, Quick.

Watchword Parade.

Brigade returns of the Drafts and recruits regimentally digested, who have joined since the last returns of that kind are to be transmitted to the Orderly Office tomorrow at orderly time; after that every two days, of the recruits or drafts that shall have joined since the preceding returns.

A Field officer from each Division and a Captain, Sub, four serjeants, four Corporals and Sixty privates who are best acquainted with the management of boats, from each Brigade in the Left wing are to be detached and left at Verplank's point as said Divisions and Brigades cross the Ferry, to assist in transporting the baggage of General Staff Stores &ca. They are to remain 'till General Greene permits them to rejoin.

The Park of Artillery is to encamp in the Centre of the 2d. Line.

Lieutenant Colonel Smith³⁵, is appointed Inspector and will consider the Light Infantry in his Department.

Major Rice³⁶ is appointed Inspector to Stark's brigade.

Major Scott³⁷ as eldest brigade Inspector in General McDougalls Division will do the duty of Inspector to the Division.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Verplank's Point, Sunday, August 6, 1780.

Parole Haverstraw. Countersigns Heat, Hope.

Watchword Alltogether.

The General will beat at one o'clock tomorrow morning, the Assemblé at half past one, and the whole Army will march by the right at two, by such routes as shall be pointed out.

As the Wings will move in different routes they will furnish their respective Advanced, rear and baggage Guards. A Field officer from the Front division of each wing will command their respective advanced guards, one from each of the second divisions their rear Guards. The rear divisions give each one to command the baggage Guards and superintend the movement of the baggage of the Wings respectively.

AFTER ORDERS, STONEY POINT, AUGUST 6, 1780 Order of March

The right column will Consist of the corps of Light Infantry. Right Wing: St. Clair's Division, Stirling's Division, Connecticut Line. The Park of Artillery. Engineers Department. The Baggage of the General Staff of the right Wing. The Flying Hospital.

35. Lieut. Col. William Stephens Smith.

36. Maj. Nathan Rice. He was aide to General Lincoln to January, 1781; major of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; served to June, 1783.

37. Maj. William(?) Scott, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He had been wounded and taken prisoner at Stillwater, N.Y., in September, 1777, and retired in January, 1781.

The Baggage of the right column in the order of the Brigade. Quarter Master General's Stores. Commissary General's Stores.

The Rear Guards consisting of the old Camp Guards of the right wing.

The Corps of Light Infantry will march at four hundred yards distance from the Wing preceded by a Van Guard of one Battalion at the same distance in its front, which will also advance a Subaltern's command four hundred yard; in front. The Pioneers and a detachment of Artificers will succeed the Van Guard to repair roads.

This Column will take the route by Kakeat to Clarks town, and there Halt for the night.

The Left Column will consist of a Van Guard of three Hundred and ninety six men commanded by a Field Officer from the front Division preceded by a detachment of Light Dragoons at four hundred yards in front of the Left Wing followed by the Pioneers and a detachment of Artificers to repair the roads. Left Wing: Howe's division, McDougall's do., Steuben's do.

The Baggage of the Committee of Congress. The Commander in Chief and general staff of the Left wing in the order of the brigades.

The Baggage of the Left Wing in the order of the brigades. The Rear guards consisting of the old Camp & Quarter guards of the left wing.

The Van Guard of the Wing will detach a Subaltern's command of Dragoons two hundred yards in front to keep patrols constantly going on the roads leading from Fort Lee as well to the right as the left column half a mile or more in advance.

This Column will take the route by the Haverstraw Pond road to Greenbush and there Halt for the Night.

All Stragglers are as soon as possible to be reported to the Field Officers of the day and they are authoriz'd to inflict discretion

ary punishment on any offenders, upon the Spot not to exceed fifty Lashes.

The General entreats and enjoins for the reputation of the service and for the security of the Army a punctual observance of all the regulations relative to the march of an Army.

The Quarter Master General will appoint one of his deputies to lead each Column and will furnish Guides.

The Inspectors in each Wing will do the Duty of Adjutant General to the Wing in Rotation.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Clarkstown, Monday, August 7, 1780.

Parole Saratoga. Countersigns Soon, Try.

Watchword Take Care!

The Army will resume its March tomorrow morning, at three o'clock, in the same order as this day. The General will beat at two, the Assemblé at half past two.

Should the left Column arrive at the junction of the roads, about two miles on this side of Tappan before the right it will halt till the right passes and then fall into the rear 'till further orders.

The General has observed that many arms have been damaged by the rain. He requests the attention of the officers to improve the Halt in putting them in order and in having the Ammunition carefully examined.

An officer from each Division is to be sent back towards Kings ferry to collect the stragglers of their respective Divisions and bring them forward.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Tuesday, August 8, 1780.

Parole Clarkestown. Countersigns N., D.

Watchword New York.

The General requires the most particular attention to the order of yesterday, respecting Arms and Ammunition which our being in the vicinity of the Enemy renders peculiarly essential.

The men wanting arms are to be supplied without delay, and the recruits as fast as they arrive. A sufficient stock is to be kept on hand for this purpose.

The order for keeping the bayonets constantly fixed has been during the March unpardonably neglected by part of the Troops: it is to be strictly observed, and the officers commanding regiments will see that the Bayonet Belts and scabbards are delivered to the Brigade Conductors taking their receipts for the number delivered and they will deliver them to the Field Commissary of military stores: The Light Infantry Companies will deliver them to their respective regiments to be included in the above.

The Marquis de la Fayette being returned will take the Command of the Light Infantry and Major General St. Clair will resume that of the Pennsylvania division.

Captain Moses White⁷⁰ of Colonel Hazen's regiment is appointed to do the duty of Brigade Inspector in General Poor's brigade 'till further orders vice Major Scott⁷¹ indisposed.

The Brigade Inspectors are to attend at the orderly office this afternoon at four o'clock.

AFTER ORDERS

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Nixon Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Mellen⁷²
Brigade Major Van Lear.

70. Of the Second Canadian Regiment. He was aide to General Hazen in September, 1781, and served to the close of the war.

71. Maj. William Scott, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

72. Lieut. Col. James Mellen, of the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; appointed lieutenant colonel commandant of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

Meade's expense account, June 15, 1780 (in the *Washington Papers*), shows that on August 8 "Mrs. Talman, near Tappan" was paid 80 dollars.

The Picquets to parade at six o'clock this afternoon on the Green near the church which is Assigned for the Grand Parade at present. The Troop to beat at half past six o'clock. The Guards and picquets to be on the Grand Parade at half past seven precisely. one private to every thirteen must be brought on to the Grand Parade in addition to the Details.

The Field officers who commanded the advanced Guards of the right and Left column will attend to Post to Picquets this evening. Brigade Major McGowan will attend the formation.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orange Town, Wednesday, August 9, 1780.

Parole Tuscany. Countersigns Truro, Time.

Watchword Emulation.

Of the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Hazen Lieutenant Colonel Basset⁷⁴
Brigade Major Fish

The Army to be Inspected tomorrow in which Inspection the whole number of recruits that have joined is to be ascertained. The Inspectors will meet the Inspector General five o'clock this afternoon at the orderly office to receive Instructions.

There being no Inspector to General McDougall's Division the Inspector General will Inspect that himself.

An alarm will be communicated by two guns (as usual) from the right of the right wing when the troops will immediately form on their respective parades.

The officers commanding the Wings and the light Corps will meet this afternoon four o'clock at General Greene's quarters to concert the necessary precautions for the security of the Camp.

74. Lieut. Col, Barachiah Bassett, of the Fourteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

The Left Wing will take care of Dobbs Ferry and the approaches on the rear. The light corps will take care of the Front extending its attention to the Closter Landing, the roads leading from Fort Lee &ca. and the right Wing will guard the approaches on the right. There will be two Grand Parades one for the right the other for the left wing where the detachments from each will assemble. A Field officer of the Day for each Wing will be appointed and a brigadier of the day for the whole.

The soldiers are on no pretence to be suffered to straggle as it is of the greatest importance in our present position that we should be at all times compact and ready to act with our whole force at the shortest notice. The regulations for preserving order and cleanliness in Camp are most punctually to be observed. On the latter particularly in this hot season the health of the men absolutely depends. No time is to be lost in sinking Wells as the water of the brook is rather indifferent. The men are by all means to be kept from eating or destroying the unripe Fruit. The General exhorts the officers of all ranks to exert themselves to prevent injury to the persons and property of the Inhabitants and to bring offenders to the most summary punishment. Plundering and Violence are a disgrace to the Name of an American soldier and an insult to the Authority of his officer. During the March and

even since his arrival on this ground the General has been mortified with repeated Complaints of the most licentious Excesses committed by particular Corps.

Great Care is to be taken to prevent the horses of the Army breaking into the fields of Grain. Guards are to be stationed and other necessary measures taken for this Purpose.

Major Goetshius with the Corps under his command is to join the light Infantry and take his orders from the Marquis de la Fayette.

Captain Lawrence with his company of Levies will take orders from Major General Lord Stirling 'till the Brigade to which he belongs joins the Army.

The Picquets and Guards will assemble on the Grand Parade tomorrow morning, after that on the Wing Parade.

AFTER ORDERS

The Generals commanding divisions will fix on a proper spot within the distance of a Mile or two of their encampments large enough for the exercise of two Battalions where they will see their respective divisions exercised in the following manner:

Every morning from four to six o'clock two battalions from each division will be exercised by a Brigadier and in the absence of the Brigadier by the next oldest Officer off duty. Each battalion to consist of 1 Colonel or Lieut. Colonel, 1 Major, 6 Captains, 12 Subs, 1 Adjutant, 26 Serjeants, 8 Corporals, 16 Drums and fifes, 240 Privates. Exclusive of this number each battalion is to have sixteen supernumerary men paraded behind the battalion to replace any men who may be taken sick or are otherwise unfit for exercise that the battalions may be always 120 files complete. To which the Majors and Adjutants are to pay particular attention. On the battalions arriving at the place of exercise the platoons are to exercise separately in detail half an hour in the manual and firings, the Non commissioned officers to form a platoon by themselves and be exercised by the Adjutant, the

battalions will afterwards perform such of the Evolutions prescribed in the regulations as the Major Generals shall order.

The Inspector General will exercise each division in turn and when Present will command himself instead of the Brigadier.

The Generals, Colonels and all officers will pay attention that all the men take their turns at this exercise especially all who are to be in rank and file in time of Action.

The Exercise of file recruits is to be continued independent of the above from five to seven, morning and evening, in the front of each regiments encampment.

The Generals will pay attention that all officers not otherwise employed attend at this Exercise. Those recruits who have been already exercised are now to be exercised with arms the others without arms, the exercise to begin next Friday morning.

The Inspection of the Troops will commence at six o'clock tomorrow morning. The Inspectors and Brigade Inspectors are to attend at the Orderly Office at four o'clock in the afternoon with their returns and Inspection.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Thursday, August 10, 1780.

Parole Baltimore. Countersigns Boon, Bark.

Watchword Prudence.

For the Day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Wayne.

Brigade returns of the Espositoos wanting are to be transmitted to the orderly office 12 o'clock tomorrow.

A General Court martial to assemble tomorrow morning nine o'clock at the Orderly Office when they will receive directions where to sit, to try all prisoners who shall be brought before them.

Colonel Greaton is appointed President, Lieutenant Colonel Mellen

Major Church and a Captain from each Brigade except the 3d and 4th Massachusetts, to attend as Members.

AFTER ORDERS

The Division General Court martial whereof Colonel Angell is President of Major General Lord Stirling's late Division is to assemble tomorrow morning ten o'clock at the President's Tent to finish the Trial of Lt. Boss.⁷⁷

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler is President is dissolved.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Friday, August 11, 1780.

Parole Sparta. Countersigns S., B.

Watchword Subordinate.

For the Day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Huntington.

One of the Drafts, acquainted with the management of Hides and Tallow, from each Wing to be sent to the Commissary of Hides at the Magazine. These men are to join their regiments when they are ordered to march.

The Brigade Commissaries are to send their hides and Tallow to the Commissary of Hides every Saturday.

An Orderly Serjeant from each brigade in the right wing to attend the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Greaton is President this day now sitting at the Church. An Orderly Serjeant from each brigade in the Left wing to attend tomorrow at the same place.

A Serjeant from each wing to attend at the orderly Office daily. The General court martial whereof Colonel Angell is President mentioned in General Orders yesterday is to assemble tomorrow 10 o'clock at the President's Tent.

77. Lieut. George Boss, of the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Invalid Regiment in January, 1781, and discharged in September, 1782.

A Draft from each Brigade to be sent as a Collier to Colonel Baldwin's Quarters early tomorrow morning to remain while the Army continues on this ground. Those Colliers who have heretofore been employed under him are to join their regiments.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Saturday, August 12, 1780.

Parole Halifax. Countersigns Keen, Keep.

Watchword Allways ready.

For the Day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Stark.

Two Captains, four subs, eight serjeants and one hundred and fifty men from each Wing are to be sent at five o'clock tomorrow morning to Dobbs ferry as a fatigue party under the direction of Colonel Gouvion Commandant of the Corps of Engineers. They are to take their Arms and two days provisions with them.

The Issuing Commissaries are to deliver Fatigue Rum on Colonel Gouvion's orders.

A Drum and fife from the right wing to join the Corps of Sappers and Miners 'till further orders.

The recruits or Drafts who have joined the Army this Campaign are to be divided into two classes; the first to consist of those who have been formerly in the continental regiments and those who are in the opinion of their commanding officers sufficiently drilled to mount on the Camp and quarter Guards under the eyes of their officers; These may be permitted to form part of the manœuvring battalions. The remainder to compose the second class who are not to do any duty except to exercise 'till further orders.

AFTER ORDERS

Lieutenant Thomas Doyle⁹³ of the 6th. Pennsylvania regiment is appointed Quartermaster to the same from the 13 of July 1778.

The 1st. Pennsylvania, Jersey 1st. 2d. and 4th. Massachusetts brigades give each a chain bearer to the Geographer of the Main Army, Mr. Erskine, they are to be sent to the Orderly Office tomorrow morning eight o'clock.

The right Wing will give six Masons and a fatigue party of a Serjeant and twelve men to be paraded at the Church tomorrow morning eight o'clock with one day's provisions.

It being of the utmost importance that orders should be regularly and speedily communicated, the Commander in Chief directs 'till further orders, that the Inspectors, Brigade Inspectors and Aides attend the Orderly Office daily at 11 o'clock in the morning to receive general orders and communicate the Wing Division or Brigade Orders. And in case any Wing Division or Brigade Orders are to be communicated at any other hour they are to be sent to the Inspectors and Brigade Inspectors who are immediately to Communicate them to the Wings Divisions or Brigades. The most punctual attendance for General Orders is required and Expected.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Sunday, August 13, 1780.

Parole Wyoming. Countersigns Wells, Wing.

Watchword Improve.

For the day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Wayne.

The same number of fatigue men and Masons from the Left wing to be paraded tomorrow at the time and place mentioned in yesterdays orders.

A Serjeant and Six from the right and a corporal and six from the Left wing to be paraded tomorrow morning eight o'clock at

93. Of the Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was wounded at Green Springs, Va., in July, 1781; transferred to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to November, 1783.

the Church with two days provision their Arms Packs &ca. They are to be sent to fix an Hospital for the reception of the sick.

An Accurate return of the Sick to be delivered to the director General of the Flying hospital tomorrow at the orderly office, eleven o'clock by the regimental Surgeons.

Six Orderlies from the right Wing tomorrow for the General Court martial.

George Hutchinson, Matross in the 4th regiment of Artillery was tried the 23d ultimo at a brigade general court martial whereof Major Eustis⁹⁴ was president for "Desertion" Pied Guilty.

The Court are of opinion that he is guilty of a breach of Article 1st. Section 6th. of the Articles of War and sentence him to be shot to Death (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto).

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Monday, August 14, 1780.

Parole Saxony. Countersigns Upton, Vincent.

Watchword Enterprize.

For the Day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Nixon.

At five o'clock tomorrow morning the Inspector General will take four battalions from the second line and perform a March, manner of entering a Camp, service of the Guards and the different duties in Camp.

The division and brigade inspectors, Quarter Masters of Brigades and regiments are to attend to this Exercise.

The General desires all superior officers also who are not on duty to attend, for which purpose the exercise of two battalions from each division is to be deferred till tomorrow afternoon five o'clock.

Orderly Serjeants for the General Court martial from the Left Wing tomorrow.

94. Maj. Benjamin Eustis, of the Fourth Continental Artillery. He died in October, 1781.

The old Soldiers who have been drafted for Waggoners are immediately to be relieved by an equal number of drafts from the regiments which they were drafted from.

No sick are to be sent to the Hospitals unless by an order from the Director General or some of the surgeons of the Flying Hospital.

At a Division General Court martial whereof Colonel Angell was President the 10th. of July last, held by order of Major General Lord Stirling:

Henry Finn of Colonel Angell's regiment was tried for "plundering the inhabitants while on command at Paramus and abusing a woman" and Acquitted: He is to be released from Confinement.

At the same Court Lieutenant Boss of the fourth Pennsylvania regiment was tried on the following charges.

1st. For ungentlemanlike behavior in imposing a falsehood on Major Church. Also for Assisting in prosecuting the Major on groundless and malicious charges to the prejudice of Major Church's Character.

2d. For being frequently intoxicated with Liquor and for beating and abusing Soldiers when in that situation contrary to good order.

3d. For Neglect of duty and for unofficerlike behavior in making use of Expressions unbecoming the Character of an Officer and Gentleman against Lieutenant Colonel Butler and Major Church: also for a breach of his Arrest on other charges subversive of good order and Military discipline.

The Court are of opinion that the 4th. charge is not supported and that the 1st. 2d. 3d. and 5th are groundless and malicious they therefore acquit him of the whole with honor.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court. Lieutenant Boss is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Tuesday, August 15, 1780.

Parole Cambridge. Countersigns Free, Hold.

Watchword Excel.

For the Day Tomorrow. Brigadier General Patterson.

A great number of Horses having strayed from the Pastures since the Army has been on this Ground and as it may be supposed many have been taken up by waggoners and other persons who would return them could they find the owners; each colonel or commanding officer of a Corps will cause a strict inspection to be made into the horses of their regiments or Corps: The Heads of the several Departments will take the same measures and have all the horses not belonging to them sent tomorrow at orderly time to the Church where those who have lost any will attend.

The officers commanding out Posts will not suffer any men on horseback to go out of Camp without a pass from a General officer.

The officers and men of the corps of Artillery attach'd to divisions or Brigades are not to be furloughed by the officers commanding the divisions or Brigades as it is irregular and interferes with the internal arrangement of the Corps.

To render the Camp more wholesome and for the better preservation of the Tallow and the hides they are to be sent to the Commissary of hides by the Brigade Commissaries every other day or as often as they draw provision without fail.

Orderlies for the Court martial tomorrow from the right wing.

The same number for fatigue from each wing as ordered the 12th. Instant to be sent to Dobbs Ferry tomorrow morning five o'clock with their Arms and two days Provisions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Wednesday, August 16, 1780.

Parole Africa. Countersigns Alfred, Arms.

Watchword Keep Time.

For the day tomorrow. Brigadier General Wayne.

The Orderly Serjeants for court martial from the Left wing tomorrow.

Trowsers having been lately drawn for the Troops instead of overalls the General recommends it to the officers to have them immediately altered into overalls which have a much better military appearance.

As it is necessary for the noncommissioned officers to have side Arms and they are not provided with Sabres the order for delivering in the Bayonet belts so far as respects them is dispensed with.

The Officers of the day are reminded of the order of the 31st. of January last directing the old and new officers of the day to attend at Head Quarters at one o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Thursday, August 17, 1780.

Parole Frederick. Countersigns K., P.

Watchword Be Alert.

For the day tomorrow. Brigadier General Huntington.

Orderly Serjeants for court martial from the right Wing.

The Division General courtmartial whereof Colonel Angell is President, is Dissolved.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Friday, August 18, 1780.

Parole Westerley. Countersigns Take, Care.

Watchword Be attentive.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Stark.

In the present state of our Magazines of provisions it is of the greatest importance that we should use all possible œconomy and Care in the distribution.

The General therefore directs and earnestly requests all officers who sign returns to be particularly circumspect in preventing imposition by which he will render an essential service to the army and to his Country.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Saturday, August 19, 1780.

Parole Europe. Countersigns Essex, Eden.

Watchword Expectation.

For the day tomorrow. Brigadier General Irvine.

A sub, serjeant, corporal and twenty men from the right wing to be paraded on the Grand parade tomorrow at guard mounting with two days Provisions their Arms &ca. they are to repair the roads. Mr. Shute⁴⁵ will give them directions.

A serjeant and ten from the Leftwing and three Masons for fatigue to build ovens.

It affords the Commander in Chief very singular pleasure to receive from the Inspector General so favorable a report of the progress made by the new Levies in their Exercise and Manœuvres and of the diligence and indefatigable pains with which the officers are endeavouring to render them more perfect. For their Attention to this

45. Lieut. Samuel Moore(?) Shute, of the Second New Jersey Regiment.

duty he begs them to accept his Thanks.

It is expected that the men for daily Guards will appear upon the Grand and other Parades shaved, combed and powdered and their Cloaths as clean as Circumstances will admit.

Although our situation unhappily does not allow us to make as military an appearance as could be wished in the last respect yet it is in the power of the officers to see the first carried into Execution. The officers of the day will pay particular attention to this matter and when any men are found defective as to the above report the Corps to which they belong.

It has been reported to the General that notwithstanding the regulations are expressly to the contrary soldiers have been stop'd at the advanced Picquets with passes signed even by Serjeants. To remedy this evil officers commanding Guards are expressly ordered to stop confine, and send back to his regiment every Soldier who has not a pass agreeable to the Regulations, with the Pass itself, that the Colonel or commandant may have an opportunity of discovering and bringing to punishment those who undertake to grant passes without authority. The passes of Heads of Departments to any persons within their respective lines are to be valid.

Instead of the usual exercise on the Grand parade the Brigade Major of the day will in future perform the service of the guards as prescribed in the regulations Chapter 22; in doing this the following method will be observed:

First. An Officer, one serjeant, one Corporal, two Drums and fifes and twenty seven privates will mount Guard in front of the parade representing a Camp guard and will place the nine Centinels as prescribed by Article 1st. Second. The Guard will turn out under Arms as prescrib'd 4th. Third. The Centinels will be relieved as in Article 3d. Fourth. The Guard will be visited by the officer of the day as in 5th. Fifth. The Guard will receive the Grand rounds as in Arte. 5th. Sixth. The rounds and patrols will go as in Article 4th.

The Centinel nearest to the one before the Guard must be instructed that at the approach of a General or Officer of the day he is to call out loud “to Arms” and not “Turn out the Guard” as has been usually practised.

In order to execute the above with more advantage instead of the two Wing parades directed in the order of the 9th. instant there shall be one Grand Parade for the whole army for which some Central and convenient spot is to be immediately chosen.

The Drummers and Fifers till further orders are to practice between the hours of nine and eleven in the morning and of four and six in the afternoon agreeable to the order of the 18th. of June last.

For the day Lieutenant Colonels Commandant Hubley. Smith. Brigade Major Smith.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Sunday, August 20, 1780.

Parole New London. Countersigns I., A.

Watchword Be cautious.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Nixon Lieutenant Colonels DeHart Basset Brigade Major Woodbridge⁵⁵

For Guard Major Wallbridge⁵⁶

To lessen the duty of the Grand Parade the particular Inspection of the men's arms by the Brigade Major of the day is dispensed with for the present; This is not meant to prevent a critical inspection on the Brigade and regimental Parades.

At the General Court martial whereof Colonel Butler was President the 25th. ulto. Jesse Hensley and Michael Bourk

55. Maj. Theodore Woodbridge, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He served as brigade major and inspector to July, 1781; transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; retired in January, 1783.

56. Maj. Ames Walbridge (Wallbridge), of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

of the 4th. regiment of Light dragoons were tried for "Robbing the house of the widow Sarah Sanford of sundry valuable articles" and found Guilty of a breach of Article 21st. section 13th. of the Articles of War and sentenced each of them to receive one Hundred Lashes on his bare back.

At the same court July 26th. John Quaile of the same regiment was tried for "Desertion and taking with him a dragoon horse and accoutrements also a remarkable fine horse belonging to Captain John Heard of the said regiment" found guilty of Desertion and taking with him Captain Heard's Horse being a breach of Article 1st Section 6th. and Article 5th. section 18th. of the Articles of war: acquitted of the charge of taking with him a dragoon horse and Accoutrements.

He is sentenced to be picketed fifteen minutes and to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

The Commander in Chief confirms the sentences, and orders them to be carried into execution tomorrow morning at the head of the regiment to which they belong.

AFTER ORDERS

Brigade returns (regimentally digested) to be made tomorrow at orderly time of the number of regulations for the order and Discipline of the Troops, wanting to complete each officer with one.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orange Town, Monday, August 21, 1780.

Parole Norway. Countersigns Nantz, Orr.

Watchword Be Firm.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Lieutenant Colonels Littlefield Olney Brigade
Major Oliver⁵⁷

For Guard Major Leavenworth.⁵⁸

57. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

58. Maj. Eli Leavenworth (Leavenworth), of the Sixth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

The regimental Paymasters will bring their Payrolls and Abstracts made up to the 1st. Instant to the Deputy Paymaster General for Examination. They will also call on him for the amount of the Pay and subsistence for the respective regiments for January February and March to be received on account agreeable to a Resolution of Congress of the 10th. of April last published in Orders the 30th. of the same Month.

An orderly Serjeant from each Brigade in the Left Wing to attend the General Court martial tomorrow.

The first Pennsylvania and first Massachusetts brigade each gives a Serjeant for the orderly office tomorrow.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Tuesday, August 22, 1780.

Parole Oronoko. Countersigns To, Quin.

Watchword Watch.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonels Cobb⁶⁹ Vose Brigade Major Ashley⁷⁰

For Guard Major Talbot⁷¹

A Corporal and seven men for Fatigue on the Bake house from the 1st Pennsylvania brigade tomorrow morning five o clock to be relieved by a like number from the 2d Pennsylvania brigade the 24th. and so on by the other Brigades daily in rotation.

Orderly Serjeants for Court Martial Tomorrow from the right Wing, for the Orderly office from the 2d Pennsylvania and 2d Massachusetts brigades.

69. Lieut. Col. David Cobb, of the Sixteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; aide to Washington from June 15, 1781, to Jan. 7, 1783; lieutenant-colonel commandant of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to November, 1783.

70. Maj. Moses Ashley, of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

71. Maj. Jeremiah Talbot, of the Seventh Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

The Guard at Talman's⁷² to be relieved alternately by the Wings every two days. The right Wing gives the Guard tomorrow.

Lieutenant John Whiting⁷³ of the 12th Massachusetts regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. Instant vice Adjutant Englis⁷⁴ resigned, and Ensign Samuel Meyricke,⁷⁵ Quarter Master vice said Whiting.

The Provost Marshal is to make daily returns of the Prisoners in Confinement to the Adjutant General who is to have such as are soldiers removed immediately to their respective brigades or if this should be attended with inconvenience on account of confining them properly there, he is to report their Names and Crimes to the Brigadiers or Commandants of brigades who are requested to see that they are brought to immediate trial that the Long Confinement to which many soldiers have been subjected may be avoided thereby; This is to be considered as a standing order and must be strictly observed.

All recruits and drafts are to be returned fit for duty and Action after having been fourteen days with their regiment.

Brigade returns of the rank and file agreeable to the above order are to be delivered at the orderly office tomorrow morning at Guard mounting. The Light Infantry are not to be included.

AFTER ORDERS

The Army will march tomorrow morning. The General will beat at five. The Assemblé at Six, and the March will commence at seven. The Quarter Master General will furnish the Order of March and the necessary Guides.

ORDER OF MARCH

The Army will march by Platoons from the right in the following Order:

The Van Guard consisting of the new Camp Guards of the right Wing.

72. Douwe(?) Talman (Tallman, Taulman).

73. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781, and served to November, 1783.

74. Lieut. and Adj. Andrew English (Englis), of the Twelfth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in August, 1780.

75. Ensign Samuel Merrick (Meyrick), of the Twelfth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

Right Wing: St. Clairs Division, Stirling's Division, Connecticut Division, Park of Artillery. Rear Guard consisting of the old Camp Guards of the right Wing. The Van Guard consisting of the new Camp Guards of the Left Wing. Left Wing: Howes Division, McDougalls Division, Steuben's Division. Rear Guard Consisting of the old Camp Guards of the Left wing succeeded by Bedkins Corps of Light Dragoons. Sufficient Escorts for the Baggage of each wing to be detach'd from the rear Guards respectively. The Baggage of the Commander in Chief; and of The General Staff of the right Wing. The Baggage of the right wing in the usual order. The Baggage of the General Staff of the Left Wing. The Baggage of the Left wing in the usual order. The whole will move in one Column to the Fork of the road in the rear of the Light Infantry encampment where the two Wings will separate and march in two Columns; the right with the Park of Artillery will take the Schraulenburgh road the Left the Closter Road and will unite at the Ground which will be marked out near the Liberty pole.⁷⁶

The Baggage will separate at the same place that of the right Wing with the Commander in Chiefs baggage the Quarter Master and Commissary's Stores will follow the right Column; the rest will follow the Left Wing.

The Light Infantry will precede the Left Column

76. The Liberty Pole Tavern was about 10 miles south of Tappan or Orange Town, N. Y., in Bergen County, N. J., about the center of what is now Englewood, N. J.

two Miles in front 'till further Orders.

The Corps of Marechausie will join the Light Infantry and take orders from the Marquis de la Fayette.

When the Army arrives at its new Encampment all but the covered Waggon are to be delivered to the orders of the Waggon Masr. Genl.

The Quarter master serjeant is to be with the Baggage of each regiment according to the regulations but no Baggage Guard whatever.

The General expects that the strictest order and discipline will be observed on the march and that the officers commanding the respective Columns will communicate with each other and observe a Correspondency of movements.

The General saw with peculiar pain much irregularity in the last March performed by the Army.

The Men not well enough to march with their regiments are to remain on the ground with a sufficient number of Surgeons and tents for their accomodation.

Two officers from each Division are to be left to superintend the sick and collect the stragglers; one of which will march on to the Army the day after tomorrow with all the stragglers and men well enough to march belonging to their divisions respectively.

Lieutenant Colonel Cobb will command the Van Guard of the right Wing and Lieutenant Colonel Vose that of the Left. They will receive their orders from Brigadier General Wayne. Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield⁷⁷ to command the rear Guard of the right wing and Lieutenant Colonel Olney that of the Left. They will receive their Orders from Brigadier General Patterson.

A Field Officer from the Connecticut Line will take the General superintendency of all the sick left on the Ground and will have the officers left from the several Divisions under his Direction.

77. Lieut. Col. Noah Moulton Littlefield, of the Eleventh Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Teaneck,⁸¹ Wednesday, August 23, 1780.

Parole Hampton. Countersigns How, Who.

Watchword Where.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonels Sumner Badlam Brigade
Major Darby⁸²

For Guard This day Major Talbot Tomorrow Major Grier

The Guards to parade at five o'clock this afternoon near the York brigade where the Grand Parade is assigned for the present.

A Sub, two serjeants and thirty rank and file for Fatigue from the right Wing to be sent immediately to Hackinsack new bridge.

The Army being now very near the Enemy the General flatters himself every officer and soldier will make it a point of honor as well as duty to keep constantly in Camp and to be at the shortest Notice ready to act as Circumstances may require. He is at the same time persuaded should an opportunity be afforded us that every part of the army will vie with each other in the display of that conduct fortitude and bravery which ought to distinguish troops fighting for their Country, for their Liberty, for everything dear to the Citizen or to the soldier. He also hopes to hear of no wanton depredations on the persons or property of the inhabitants for nothing can be more inconsistent or infamous than to violate those rights we possess and are bound to defend. The Officers of Police

will be particularly careful to prevent the destruction of Fences which they certainly have it in their power to effect.

The officers commanding brigades and regiments are to see that the above order is read to the soldiers and the necessity of an implicit Compliance therewith impressed on their Minds.

An Alarm will be communicated by the discharge of Two Cannon from the Park.

81. Teaneck, N. J., was about 2 miles west of the Palisades of the Hudson, Bergen County, N. J.

82. Maj. Samuel Darby, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Thursday, August 24, 1780.

Parole Monmouth. Countersigns Mars, Now.

Watchword Be ready.

For Guard Major Wallbridge.

The Army will draw three days flour and bake it and as soon as Beef arrives will draw and cook as much as the Weather will permit.

The General reminds the Troops of the order of yesterday.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Friday, August 25, 1780.

Parole Warsaw. Countersigns N., T.

Watchword Bravery.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Lieutenant Colonels Sill⁹⁴ Holdridge⁹⁵
Brigade Major White⁹⁶

For Guard Major Torrey

As it is not an unusual thing for Soldiers in an engagement to expend their Ammunition at too great a distance, to do much execution and then make the want of it a plea to quit the field of action the General enjoins in very earnest terms upon all officers to use their utmost endeavours to prevent this Practice, nor is the want of ammunition to be an excuse even if it cannot be supplied. The soldiers who are without it are to depend upon their Bayonets 'till the Conflict is decided. This order is to be frequently read to the men that none of them may hereafter plead ignorance in Excuse for their disobedience of it.

The unsoldierly and dangerous practice of firing Guns in the Camp and its vicinity is again revived. The General does not suspect old Soldiers can be guilty of so unmilitary a practice but attributes it to the new Levies who may do it through ignorance. The commandg. officers of Corps are to be attentive therefore in seeing that the orders against it are read to them and the Guards are particularly charged to see these orders executed.

94. Lieut. Col. David Fithian Sill, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

95. Lieut. Col. Hezekiah Holdridge, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

96. Adj. William(?) White, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was killed at Yorktown, Va., in October, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Saturday, August 26, 1780.

Parole Berwick. Countersigns Boon, Berne.

Watchword Look Sharp.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonels Whiting⁹ Huntington
Major Smith¹⁰

For Guard, Major Reid.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Sunday, August 27, 1780.

Parole China. Countersigns Coos, Cuba.

Watchword Here we come.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonels Gray Murray Brigade Major
Woodbridge

For Guard, Major Leavensworth.

Joseph King Esqr.¹¹ is appointed Paymaster to the Corps of Artificers from the 6th. of February
last.

The Brigade Quarter masters are to apply immediately at the Quarter master Generals Store for the
number of Espontoons specified in the last Returns.

A General Court martial to assemble tomorrow morning nine o'Clock at the house on the right of General Stark's brigade for the Trial of Colonel Hazen and such others as shall be brought before the Court.

Colonel Wyllys is appointed President; Lieutenant Colonels Littlefield, Cobb and Newall; Majors Cogswell,¹² Wallbridge and Maxwell,¹³ a Captain from each of the following brigades vizt.

9. Lieut. Col. Daniel Whiting, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

10. Maj. David Smith, of the Eighth Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Fifth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

11. Paymaster of Baldwin's Artillery Artificers regiment. He retired in May, 1781.

12. Maj. Thomas Cogswell, of the First Massachusetts Regiment. He ranked as lieutenant colonel of the Fifteenth Massachusetts Regiment from November, 1779, and retired in January, 1781.

13. Maj. Hugh Maxwell, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant colonel of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in August, 1782; transferred to the Third Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

First and Second Pennsylvania, Jersey, Clinton's, 1st. Connecticut and Poor's to attend as Members. All Witnesses and persons concerned are desired to attend the Court. A serjeant from each brigade in the left Wing to be sent as orderlies to the court.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Monday, August 28, 1780.

Parole Luxemburgh. Countersigns C., R.

Watchword Glory.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Nixon. Lieutenant Colonels Fernald³² Conway³³
Brigade Major Oliver³⁴

For Guard Major Talbot

Great irregularity having prevailed in the issues of rum to the several brigades; for the future it is to be issued in the following proportion when there is any in the Magazine. To a Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel Commandant half a Gallon pr. week. To a Lieutenant Colonel or Major three pints per week. To a Captain two pints and a Subaltern a pint and a half per week. Rum is to be issued to the soldiery in rainy weather and on fatigue, but on no other occasions except by special order from Head Quarters at a gill pr man, in the first case it shall be issued on returns signed by the commanding officers of brigades; in the last on returns signed by the Quartermaster General, Adjutant General or officer commanding the Corps of Engineers. This order is not to be deviated from on any pretence whatever.

Some irregularities having also happened in the Issues of provision by which officers of different corps are inequally serv'd the General absolutely forbids any change to be made in any part of the Army of the rations from time to time established in general orders.

32. Lieut. Col. Tobias Fernald (Furnald), of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment.

33. Lieut. Col. John Conway, of the First New Jersey Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

34. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

The General has been informed of several late instances of parties being sent from the Army by officers commanding Brigades; regiments and even companies without permission from Head Quarters to impress different articles from the inhabitants and that great abuses have resulted there

from; as nothing can be more contrary to good order or of more dangerous tendency than this practice, it is at all events to be discontinued. When particular circumstances make it necessary to have recourse to this expedient a representation must be made to Head quarters for the purpose, that measures adequate to the end and least injurious to the rights of individuals may be pursued.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Wyllys is president, is to sit tomorrow morning nine o'Clock at the place mention'd in orders yesterday.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Greaton is President, to assemble at the President's Markee the same hour. The Members of these Courts are desired to be punctual in their attendance.

Two Bakers from each Brigade to be sent this afternoon four o'clock to Orange town to assist the superintendent of the Bakers at that place. Each wing gives a serjeant to conduct them.

Orderlies for the first mention'd court martial from the left wing; For the last from the right wing.

The second Pennsylvania and second Massachusetts brigades each give one for the orderly office.

At the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Greaton is President, Lieutenant Colonel Conway was tried for "Disobedience of Orders and ungentlemanlike behavior in beating Colonel Ogden's waiter for being in the exact line of his duty after he was directly informed thereof".

The Court are of opinion that Lieutenant Colonel Conway is not Guilty of the Charge exhibited against him and do Acquit him with Honor.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court. Lieutenant Colonel Conway is released from his Arrest.

At the same Court, Captain John Dennett³⁵ of the third New Hampshire regiment was tried for "Disobedience of orders and neglect of duty in not going to Amherst in New Hampshire and doing the duty he was there ordered to do."

The Court do acquit Captain Dennett of the Charge exhibited against him.

The General approves the acquittal. Captain Dennet is released from Arrest.

Likewise Lieutenant Welsh³⁶ of the 9 Massachusetts regiment was tried for “Absenting himself from his regiment three days and leaving his Company without an officer to take care of it”.

The Court are of opinion that Lieutenant Welsh is Guilty of the Charge against him being a breach of Article 2d. Section 13th. of the Articles of war and do sentence him to be dismissed the service.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to take place immediately.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Tuesday, August 29, 1780.

Parole Kingston. Countersigns Kent, Keep.

Watchword Always ready.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Lieutenant Colonels Peters³⁷ and Hull³⁸
Brigade Major Ashley.

For Guard Major Grier

From the Deficiency of Field officers in the Jersey brigade and more particularly in the regiment to which Lieutenant Colonel Barber belongs; He is permitted for the present to decline the duties of Inspector and confine himself to those of his regiment. Major Fish will in the mean time perform the duties of Division Inspector.

35. Of the Third New Hampshire Regiment. He was transferred to the Second New Hampshire Regiment in January, 1781, and served to March, 1783.

36. Lieut. Richard Welsh, of the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment.

37. Lieut. Col. Andrew Peters, of the Fifteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He was in service in November, 1780.

38. Lieut. Col. William Hull, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment.

As black and red feathers have been furnished the Division of Light Infantry to distinguish it from the rest of the Army they are not to be worn by any officers or soldiers but those who belong to it.

At a General Court martial of the Line held 27th of July last whereof Colonel Richard Butler was President, Philip Lankfitt and Richard Peters of the 4th. regiment of Light dragoons were tried for "Robbing Joseph Wessells of sundry Articles in presence of the said Wessell's Wife" found Guilty of the charge exhibited against them being a breach of article 21st. Section 13th. of the Articles of war and sentenced each of them to receive one hundred lashes. The Commander in Chief approves the sentence.

At a General court martial of the line whereof Colonel Greaton is President, Captain Hopkins³⁹ of the 4th. regiment of light dragoons was tried for "Having repeatedly sold public horses and applied the money to his own use".

The Court are of opinion that Captain Hopkins is not Guilty of the charge and do acquit him. The General approves the Acquittal. Captain Hopkins is released from his Arrest.

At the same court Lieutenant Trent⁴⁰ of the same regiment was tried for "disobedience of orders the 23d. of July last".

The Court are of opinion Lieutenant Trent is Guilty of the Charge against him and do sentence that he be reprimanded by the commanding officer of the regiment to which he belongs.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to be carried into execution tomorrow and that then he be releas'd from his Arrest.

At the same court Asa Snow, soldier in the 12th. Massachusett's regiment was tried for “Disobedience of orders and attempting the life of Captain Allen⁴¹ in the execution of his duty by stabbing him with a fixed Bayonet on the evening of the 7th. Instant” found Guilty of disobedience of orders, and attempting the life of Captain Allen by stabbing him with a fixed bayonet in breach of Article 5

39. Capt. David Hopkins, of the Fourth Continental Dragoons. He was made major of the First Continental Dragoons in 1780 and served to the close of the war.

40. Lieut. Lawrence Trent, of the Fourth Continental Dragoons. He was, later, appointed captain and served to the close of the war.

41. Capt. Noah Allen, of the Thirteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the First Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781, and retired in August, 1782.

section 18th. of the Articles of war and sentenced to receive one hundred lashes on his bare back.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to be executed tomorrow morning at the Head of the regiment to which he belongs.

Mr. Israel Weed, Assistant Commissary of Issues, was likewise tried for “selling Flour Meat spirits and salt out of the public Stores without proper authority—Secondly for not delivering Coffee and Butter drawn for the brigade”. The Court are of opinion that Mr. Weed is not Guilty of either of the Charges and do acquit him with Honor.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court. Mr. Weed is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Wednesday, August 30, 1780.

Parole Vandalia. Countersigns H., W.

Watchword All's well.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Putnam Lieutenant Colonel Barber
Brigade Major Darby.⁵²

For Guard Major Ball.⁵³

Colonel Biddle requests the favor of the gentlemen of the Army who have Accounts for
horsekeeping unsettled to make them out to the 4th. instant and send them to his office in Camp for
settlement that he may certify the balances due and make Application to the honorable the Treasury
board for money to discharge them. He now Quarters at Mr. Voorhees's⁵⁴ between the Newbridge
and Hackinsack.

At the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Greaton is President, Captain Peter Manifold⁵⁵ of
the 4th. regiment of light dragoons was tried for

52. Maj. Samuel Darby, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Eighth
Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

53. Maj. Lebbeus Ball, of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in October, 1780.

54. John(?) Voorhees.

55. Of the Fourth Continental Dragoons. He resigned in October, 1780.

“Disposing of a horse belonging to said regiment.”

The Court are of opinion that though Captain Manifold sold a horse belonging to the public he did not sell it with an intent of defrauding the regiment or the public: Yet as the selling a horse or any other Property belonging to the public without proper Authority is in their opinion censurable and the precedent may be of ill consequence, they do sentence that Captain Manifold do replace the horse by another of equal value and that Captain Manifold be reprimanded in General orders.

The General confirms the sentence and agrees in opinion with the Court that Captain Manifold had no fraudulent intention, yet the sale of a public horse was certainly extremely improper as the practice if admitted, would be a cover for the greatest abuses; it is besides not enough that an officer should be guilty of nothing dishonorable, the delicacy of his Character requires that he should avoid even the appearance of it. Captain Manifold is released from his Arrest.

Thomas Reiley, soldier in the 7th. Pennsylvania regiment was tried at the division General court martial whereof Major Hamilton⁵⁶ is president, for “Attempting to Desert to the Enemy.”

The Court having deliberately considered every circumstance both for and against the prisoner are of opinion he is guilty of the charge exhibited against him being a breach of Article 1st. Section 6th. of the Articles of War and do sentence him to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence but from the former good Character of the prisoner and intercession of some of his Officers he is pleased to pardon him and order him released from Confinement.

It was omitted in the order of the 28th. Instant

56. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

regulating the Issues of rum “That the regimental Surgeons are to draw the same quantity as a Captain and the Mates as a Subaltern.”

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Thursday, August 31, 1780.

Parole Mexico. Countersigns Menden, Moro.

Watchword Hampden.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Basset
Brigade Major Pettingal

For Guard Major Winslow⁵⁹

A small number of Sabres and belts having arrived for the noncommissioned officers, Application is to be made immediately for ten swords for each regiment vizt. one for the Quarter Master serjeant and one for the first Serjeant of each company. The Bayonet belts now in the hands of those Serjeants are to be turn'd in.

The Brigade Conductors are to attend tomorrow morning nine o'clock at the Park of Artillery for their proportion of Drums and fifes. The drum and fife Majors are to attend at the same time with all their old fifes for the purpose of having them properly sorted to the same Keys.

A return of Shoes wanting to be made to morrow morning at orderly time; the Light Infantry to be included by the Clothiers of the Corps to which they belong. It is expected that the returns will include no more than are actually wanting at this time as the stock will not admit of a general delivery. The Drafts are not to be included.

Till the Corps of rifle men are properly equip'd they are to take post on the right of the first line and will practice firing at a Mark between the Hours of four and Six in the afternoon till their rifles are in order for real service.

59. Maj. Nathaniel Winslow, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

Lieutenant Joseph Miller⁶⁰ of the 13th. Massachusetts regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same from the first of July last vice Adjutant Fowles⁶¹ promoted.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Friday, September 1, 1780.

Parole Hackinsack. Countersigns I., B.

Watchword Near By.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Johnston Lieutenant Colonel Olney⁶⁶ Brigade Major Rice⁶⁷

For Guard Major Throop.⁶⁸

Twenty men to be paraded tomorrow at Guard mounting from the Line as Waggoners to drive off the spare Ammunition.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Saturday, September 2, 1780.

Parole Asia. Countersigns Atlas, Arts.

Watchword March March.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Vose
Brigade Major White⁷²

For Guard Major Harwood.⁷³

The Army will march tomorrow morning. The General will beat at three o'clock; the Assemblé at half past

60. He was transferred to the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment and served to June, 1783.

61. Lieut. John Fowles, of the Thirteenth Massachusetts Regiment. His promotion to captain ranked him from June, 1779; transferred to the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; served to June, 1783.

66. Lieut. Col. Jeremiah Olney.

67. Maj. Nathan Rice. He was aide to Lincoln; appointed to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; served to June, 1783.

68. Maj. Benjamin Throop, of the Fourth Connecticut Regiment, He was transferred to the Fifth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and retired in January, 1783.

72. Capt. Haffield(?) (Hatfield) White (acting as brigade major), of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

73. Maj. Peter Harwood, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in October, 1780.

four, and the march will commence precisely at five; the Quarter master General will furnish the order of march and route.

AFTER ORDERS

Colonel Gansevoort is appointed officer of the day for this day vice Colonel Johnston indisposed.

The march of the Army is postponed 'till eight o'clock tomorrow morning; the same intervals are to be observed in beating the General and Assemblé previous to the march as directed in the first order of this day.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tean Neck, Sunday, September 3, 1780.

MORNING ORDERS, 6 O'CLOCK

The Order for the Army to march is countermanded. The Troops will continue to hold themselves in readiness. The State clothiers are to apply Ten o'clock for shoes at the orderly office.

Parole Hellespont. Countersigns Hall, Ham.

Watchword Order.

For the day tomorrow Brigadier General Nixon Colonel M. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Sumner
Brigade Major Moore

For Guard Major Knapp.

A Captain of the day to be appointed in each division, part of whose duty it shall be to visit the camp guard of the division to which he belongs. The old and new Captains of the day will attend the Grand parade at Guard mounting where the former will deliver written reports of the Camp Guards of their division to the officers of the day which are to be digested in the General report to the Commander in Chief, duplicates of which they will deliver to their respective Commanders of Divisions.

The subalterns will do the same to the Commandants of the Brigades to which they belong. The Officers of the Day will visit the Camp Guards by day and direct the Captains of the day to visit them by night.

The men drafted from the line into the Corps of Sappers and Miners are to draw pay in the regiments from whence they were drafted up to the 1st. of last August; after that period in the corps aforesaid.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to adopt the following Order on the Proceedings of the Court Martial in the trial of Doctor William Shippen Director General.

In Congress, August 18, 1780.

Congress resumed the consideration of the proceedings of the court martial on the trial of doct. W Shippen, director general and thereupon passed the following Order

The court Martial having acquitted the said doct. W. Shippen Ordered that he be discharged from Arrest.

At a Division General Court martial whereof Colonel M Jackson was President August 27th., Lieutenant David Peterson was tried on the following Charges.

1st. Disobedience of Orders when on the Lines near Kingstreet in going without the Guards and Patrols and staying 'till an unreasonable hour in the night in Contempt of orders delivered him.

2d. Unofficer like behavior when with a small scout sent to make discovery of the enemy in suffering them to break into the house of Mr. John Barker and taking provisions from him contrary to orders.

3d Disposing of a number of Horses which he took at the same time without their being condemned by the Civil or Military Authority contrary to any rule or orders on the Lines.

The Court find the 1st. and 3d charges supported and find him Guilty of a breach of part of the 5 Article 2d. Section

and the 5th. Article of the 18th. Section of the Articles of war and sentence him to be dismissed the service.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence and orders it to be carried into Execution.

AFTER ORDERS

Major Hamilton⁹² is appointed For Guard tomorrow vice Major Knapp absent on command.

At seven o'clock tomorrow morning the General will beat; the Assemble at half past eight and the Army will march precisely at Nine; the Baggage will begin to file off in the order prescribed at half past seven; the Vanguard composed of the new Camp and Quarter Guards to be formed at seven o'clock in the field opposite the orderly office near Headquarters under the command of the new officers of the day. The rear Guard composed of the old Camp and Quarter Guards to be formed on the Grandparade, at nine o'clock under the command of the old officers of the day.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Kendekamack,⁹³ Monday, September 4, 1780.

Parole Lexington. Countersigns N., P.

Watchword Bayonet.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton /Colonel Marshall⁹⁴ Lieutenant Colonel Newall⁹⁵ Brigade Major Van Laer

The Guards to parade at a quarter past six this Evening in front of the York brigade where the Grand Parade is assigned at present.

92. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

93. Known also as Steenrapie. Washington's headquarters were in Andrew Hopper's house, on the road to Morristown, about 2 miles from the New York-New Jersey line and 4 miles south of Ramapo Pass.

94. Col. Thomas Marshall, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

95. Lieut. Col. Ezra Newhall (Newall), of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Tuesday, September 5, 1780.

Parole Palmyra. Countersigns Palm, Prague.

Watchword Espontoon.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Bradford Lieutenant Colonel Robinson⁹⁹
Brigade Major Ross.¹

The Troop to beat at seven o'clock and the Guards to be on the Grand Parade at eight precisely 'till further orders.

The General Court Martial whereof Colonel Wyllys is President, to Assemble tomorrow morning nine o'clock at the Presidents Markee.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions, which have lately come to hand.

In Congress, August 12, 1780.

Congress took into consideration the report of the committee on the memorial of the general officers; Whereupon,

Resolved, That the said general officers be informed that Congress have at no time been unmindful of the military virtues which have distinguished the army of the United States through the course of this war; and that it has been constantly one of the principal objects of their care, not only to provide for the health and comfort of the army, but to gratify their reasonable desires, as far as the public exigencies would admit:

That patience and self-denial, fortitude and perseverance, and the cheerful sacrifice of time, health, and fortune, are necessary virtues which both the citizen and soldier are called to exercise while struggling for the liberties of their country; and that moderation, frugality and temperance, must be among the chief supports, as well as the brightest ornaments, of that kind of civil government which is wisely instituted by the several states in this union:

99. Lieut. Col. Thomas Robinson, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; appointed colonel in September, 1783; served to November, 1783.

1. Maj. John Ross, of the Second New Jersey Regiment. He was brigade inspector; retired in January, 1781; appointed lieutenant colonel in the New Jersey Militia in 1782.

That it has been recommended to the several states to make compensation to the officers and soldiers to them respectively belonging, for the depreciation of their pay; and that Congress will take speedy measures for liquidating and paying what is due on that account to officers and soldiers who do not belong to the quota of any state.

That from and after the 1st day of August, 1780, the army shall be intitled to receive their pay, as stated, before the first day of January, 1777, in the new bills emitted pursuant to a resolution of Congress of the 18 day of March last:

That the officers shall hereafter be allowed five dollars per month, in the said new bills for each retained ration:

That the Board of War be directed to report to Congress a list of the officers not belonging to the quota of any state, with an account of the balance due to each, to make their pay good for past services, agreeably to the resolution of the 10th day of April last:

That such of the states as have not made compensation to their officers and soldiers, agreeably to the recommendation of the 17 of August 1779, be and they are hereby requested to do it as soon as possible:

That the provision for granting lands by the resolution of September 16th, 1776, be and is hereby extended to the general officers in the following proportion to wit: a major general 1100 acres; a brigadier general 850 acres:

That the officers of the army be furnished, as soon as possible with two months' pay on account to relieve their present wants, mentioned in the memorial.

Ordered, That the remainder of the report be recommitted.

In Congress, August 24, 1780.

Resolved That the officers of the line of the army, commanding corps, when in camp, be allowed to draw so many of the rations of provisions heretofore withheld, as the Commander in Chief, or the commander of a separate army, shall think necessary; but that no provision be issued for back rations

not drawn on the days they become due:

That if it shall appear that the subsistence money, allowed to officers in lieu of the rations withheld, is not equal to the cost of the rations, the deficiency shall hereafter be made up to them:

That the resolution of the 15 day of May, 1778, granting half-pay for seven years to the officers of the army who should continue in the service to the end of the war be extended to the widows of those officers who have died, or shall hereafter die in the service; to commence from the time of such officer's death, and continue for the term of seven years; or if there be no widow, or in case of her death or intermarriage, the said half pay be given to the orphan children of the officer dying as aforesaid, if he shall have left any; and that it be recommended to the legislatures of the respective states to which such officers belong, to make provision for paying the same on account of the United States:

That the restricting clause in the resolution of the 15th. of May, 1778, granting half-pay to the officers for seven years, expressed in these words, viz. "and not hold any office of profit under these states, or any of them," be and hereby is repealed.

August 25th. Resolved, That the half pay of general officers be proportioned to their pay.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Wednesday, September 6, 1780.

Parole Richmond. Countersigns O., K.

Watchword Fabius.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel H. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Badlam
Major Torrey Brigade Major Fish

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following resolution.

In Congress, August 22, 1780.

Whereas it is of the utmost importance effectually to prevent the destruction, waste, embezzlement and misapplication of the public stores and provisions, upon which the existence of the armies of

these United States may depend, and no adequate provision hath been made for the just punishment of delinquents in the departments of the quarter master general, commissary general of purchases, commissary general of issues, cloathier general, commissary general of military stores, purveyor of the hospitals, and hide department; therefore, Resolved, That every person in any of the said departments, entrusted with the care of provisions, or military or hospital stores, or other property of these United States, who shall be convicted at a general court martial, of having sold, without a proper order for that purpose, embezzled, or wilfully misapplied, damaged or spoiled, any of the provisions, horses, forage, arms, cloathing, ammunition, or other military or hospital stores, or property belonging to the United States of America shall suffer death or such other punishment as shall be directed by a general court martial, according to the nature and degree of the offence, at the discretion of such court; and every person in any of the said departments, intrusted as aforesaid, who shall be convicted at a general court martial of having, through neglect, suffered any of the articles aforesaid to be wasted, spoiled or damaged, shall suffer such punishment as the said court shall in their discretion, direct according to the degree of the offence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Thursday, September 7, 1780.

Parole Rockaway. Countersigns Steel, Thames.

Watchword Rest.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Angell Lieutenant Colonel Hait¹⁸ Major Reed¹⁹ Brigade Major Woodbridge

A Captain, Sub, three serjeants, three Corporals, one Drum one fife and forty privates to be sent to Head Quarters this afternoon five o'Clock from General McDougall's Division. To be relieved daily from the General detail in future.

A Serjeant, Corporal and twelve Privates from the first Pennsylvania brigade to be sent to repair the road leading from Head Quarters to Paramus. They will Parade at the orderly office tomorrow morning eight o'clock with two days Provision.

Colonel Vose is appointed one of the Field officers of the day for tomorrow vice Colonel Angell indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Friday, September 8, 1780.

Parole Canterbury. Countersigns M., R.

Watchword Parade.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Cilley Lieutenant Colonel Dearborn Major Leavensworth Brigade Major Oliver

Major Rosekrans²² will do the duty of brigade Inspector in Clinton's brigade during Major Fish's absence.

18. Lieut. Col. Joseph Hair, of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

19. Maj. James Randolph Reid (Reed).

22. Maj. James Rosekrans, of the Third New York Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

Lieutenant Luther Trowbridge of the 7th. Massachusetts' regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. instant vice Adjutant White Promoted.

A detachment to be paraded this afternoon five o'clock furnished with one days provision and forty rounds per man; Major Torrey to command.

There being considerable intervals between some of the brigades; The Major Generals commanding wings will take care that additional Camp guards are furnished for completing the Chain of Centinels, along those intervals in front and rear.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Saturday, September 9, 1780.

Parole Barcelona. Countersigns Fix, Firm.

Watchword Drummers.

For the Day tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel Starr Lieutenant Colonel North Major Talbot Brigade Major Ashley

The Commander in Chief thinks proper to mention that many officers who are sent on Extra Commands occasion both him and themselves a great deal of unnecessary trouble by not keeping more particular accounts of their expences than those they frequently exhibit and often reduce him to the painful necessity either of admitting Claims Stated in terms of the greatest generality, or of rejecting them or at least of postponing the payment from time to time 'till more particular accounts can be made out; to prevent like inconveniences in future he requests that all officers who are sent upon such commands will be attentive to this matter, will note to whom they pay Money. The date and Place

and will make out their accounts accordingly; and where Circumstances will admit it will also be prudent even to take in the bills they pay and receipts. These particularities are required by the public they are usual in private transactions between man and man and they are necessary for the Generals justification.

He also thinks proper to enjoin again a pointed Attention to the general orders published the 18th. of September last respecting Officers being sent on extra commands and that it is not to be done but in the manner there prescribed.

AFTER ORDERS

Brigadier General Poor³⁷ will be interred tomorrow afternoon at Hackensack Church; the funeral procession will commence at four o'clock from Brewer's house in front of the Infantry.

Colonel Butler is appointed officer of the day for tomorrow vice Colonel Starr indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Sunday, September 10, 1780.

Parole Greenwich. Countersigns Kent, Cork.

Watchword Liberty.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Colonel Tupper Lieutenant Colonel Sill Major Grier Brigade Major Darby³⁹

At the General Court martial whereof Colonel Greaton is president the 2nd. instant. Reuben George, an express rider, was tried for "Delaying three hundred thousand dollars, on the road, which he had in Charge to deliver to Moore Furman, Esqr., Deputy Quartermaster General, for express purpose of forwarding provision to the Army, which

37. He died on Sept. 8, 1780.

39. Maj. Samuel Darby, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

delay, if not early discovered, would have been attended with most fatal consequences to the Army; and secondly for expending part of the money and making preparations to desert to Virginia with the residue.”

At the same Court Joseph Smallwood, a waggoner in the Continental service, was tried for Insulting and Knocking Lieutenant Barrett⁴⁰ off his horse on the public road on the 23d. of August last.

The Court are of opinion that Reuben George delayed three hundred thousand dollars on the road, which he had in charge to deliver to Moore Furman, Esqr., Deputy quarter master general, but it does not appear to them that the prisoner knew the purpose the money was sent for, or the Consequences that would have attended the delay of it. They are further of opinion that he expended part of the Money but it does not appear that he made preparations to desert to Virginia with the residue. They do sentence the Prisoner to repay the Money to the Quarter Master general he has expended, to receive one hundred lashes on his bare back and to be dismissed from his employment.

They are also of opinion that the Prisoner Smallwood is Guilty of the Charge exhibited against him and do Sentence him to receive one hundred lashes on his bare back.

The General approves the sentences and orders them to be carried into Execution tomorrow morning on the Grand Parade at Guard mounting. And orders Reuben George to be recommitted to the Provost where he is to remain 'till released by General Greene's order.

40. Lieut. James Barrett, of the Fourth New York Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Monday, September 11, 1780.

Parole Portsmouth. Countersigns Poor, Pallas.

Watchword Magnanimity.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Craig Lieutenant Colonel Johnston Major Ball Brigade Major Pettingall

Lieutenant Pride⁴⁹ of the third Connecticut regiment is Appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. of May last, vice Adjutant Hart⁵⁰ promoted.

AFTER ORDERS

Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Reid is Appointed officer of the day tomorrow vice Colonel Craig.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Tuesday, September 12, 1780.

Parole Harford. Countersigns Humber, Hope.

Watchword Be punctual.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Weissenfells Lieutenant Colonel Holdridge Major Winslow⁵² Brigade Major Rice

A Court of enquiry is ordered to set tomorrow morning nine o'clock in the president's Markee at the request of Colonel Angell to examine into his conduct in the action at Springfield and report their opinion thereon. Colonel Nixon is appointed President, Lieutenant Colonels DeHart and Vose, Majors Reid and Grier Members. All Witnesses and Persons concerned are desired to attend.

The General court Martial whereof Colonel Greaton is president, is dissolved and another ordered to assemble tomorrow

49. Lieut Reuben Pride. He was transferred to the First Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and retired in January, 1783.

50. Capt. and Adj. Jonathan Heart (Hart), of the Third Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the First Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; appointed brigade major and inspector in January, 1781, to June, 1783; served to November. 1783.

52. Maj. Nathaniel Winslow, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

morning nine o'clock at the President's Markee for the trial of Major Murnan⁵³ and such others as shall be brought before the court. All persons concerned to attend. Colonel Dayton to preside. Members Lieutenant Colonel Badlam Major Leavensworth and a Captain from each brigade except the Jersey and Stark's.

Brigade returns of the Serjeants, drums and fifes and rank and file of the New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire lines and of Angell's regiment who are enlisted for the war to be transmitted to the orderly office tomorrow at eleven o'clock.

David Hall, a soldier in Colonel Stewart's battalion of light infantry convicted at a General court martial whereof colonel Cortlandt is President of "Plundering an inhabitant of money and plate" and being condemned to death is to be executed at half past four o'clock this afternoon.

Fifty men properly officered from each brigade in the army to attend the execution.

It has been much the General's desire to prevent enormities of this kind which are as repugnant to the principles of the cause in which we are engaged as oppressive to the inhabitants and subversive of that order and discipline which must Characterize every well regulated army.

The General again exhorts officers of every rank to pay the closest attention to the conduct of their men and to use the utmost precaution to prevent the soldiers from rambling and committing such outrages, the subject of daily complaint and representation to him; it is highly incumbent on them

to do this to prevent the consequences which will follow as he is determined to shew no favor to Soldiers who are convicted of these pernicious and disgraceful offences.

Part of the Effects of the late Brigadier General Poor among which are several suits of Cloaths, a genteel small sword, sash, Epauletts, and many other articles will be vendued at Lieutenant Colonel Dearborn's Marquee in the New Hampshire brigade tomorrow morning ten o'clock.

AFTER ORDERS

The army will parade tomorrow morning eight o'clock

53. Maj. Jean Bernard Gauthier de Murnans.

by brigades on their respective brigade parades. The General wishes the line to be as full as possible. The new Guards will remain in the Line 'till the review is over. The Light corps will parade at ten o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Wednesday, September 13, 1780.

Parole Bender. Countersigns T., X.

Watchword Rome.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Butler
Lieutenant Colonel Whiting Major Throop Brigade Major White

The General Court Martial whereof Colonel Dayton is President will sit tomorrow morning nine o'clock at the president's Markee, Lieutenant Colonel Hair is appointed a member of the Court vice Lieutenant Colonel Badlam absent.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Thursday, September 14, 1780.

Parole Massachusetts. Countersigns Putnam, Lincoln.

Watchword Merit.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubly
Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Major Harwood⁶⁷ Brigade Major Moore

Colonel H. Jackson is appointed President of the General Court Martial vice Colonel Dayton
ordered on command.

67. Maj. Peter Harwood, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in October, 1780.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Friday, September 15, 1780.

Parole Russia. Countersigns N., C.

Watchword Hark Hark!

MORNING ORDERS

Major Ball is appointed a Member of the Court of Enquiry whereof Colonel Nixon is President vice
Major Reid on command.

For the day tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Smith Lieutenant
Colonel Huntington Major Wyllys Brigade Major Van Laer

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Saturday, September 16, 1780.

Parole Northumberland. Countersigns Pan, Peep.

Watchword Come here.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Sherman
Lieutenant Colonel Murray Major Knapp Brigade Major Rosekrans

For Detachment Major Ball to relieve Major Reid.

Ensign Samuel Tallmage⁹⁸ is appointed Adjutant to the 4th. New York regiment vice Lieutenant
Ellsworth⁹⁹ promoted from the ninth day of July last.

Major James Moore¹ is appointed Brigade Major and Inspector to the 1st. Pennsylvania brigade
from the 21st. of July last.

A return by brigades of Armourers who may remain unemployed to be made to the Adjutant
General tomorrow at Orderly time.

Spencer's regiment is to march tomorrow morning and join Livingston's at Stoney Point agreeable
to an order of the first of last Month.

98. Of the Fourth New York Regiment. He was transferred to the Second New York Regiment in
January, 1781; appointed lieutenant in October, 1781; served to June, 1782.

99. Lieut. Peter Elsworth (Ellsworth), of the Fourth New York Regiment. He was made captain-
lieutenant in July, 1780, and served subsequently as captain of New York levies.

1. Of the First Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in
January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

The German Battalion is to join the Jersey brigade 'till further orders.

All the brigade quarter masters with the main army who have not received orders of payment for their extra wages or any other charges they may have against the Quarter master General's department previous to the first of August last are requested to render their accounts for settlement by the 19th. Instant at farthest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Sunday, September 17, 1780.

Parole Cumberland. Countersigns A., Y.

Watchword Listen.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Parsons Colonel Bayley⁴ Lieutenant Colonel Fernald Major Hamilton⁵ Brigade Major Smith⁶

For Detachment Lieutenant Colonel Cobb.⁷

At the General Court martial whereof Colonel Wyllys is President, Colonel Hazen was tried on the following Charges vizt. "Disobedience of orders and unmilitary conduct on the march from Tapan to the Liberty pole in halting the brigade under his Command without any orders therefore from the General commanding the division and thereby occasioning a vacancy of near half a mile in the Centre of the Left Column: And for unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior in falsely asserting he had received such orders from General Stark."

The Court are of opinion that on the March from Tapan to the Liberty pole Colonel Hazen halted the Brigade under his Command and occasioned a Vacancy in the Centre of the Left Column; but as it appears to them that he had orders from the General commanding the division, to halt, they do therefore honorably acquit him of disobedience of orders: and unmilitary

4. Col. John Bailey (Bayley), of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in October, 1780.

5. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

6. Maj. David Smith.

7. Lieut. Col. David Cobb.

conduct in the instance contained in this Charge; The Court do also honorably acquit Colonel Hazen of unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior in asserting that "he had orders from General Stark to halt" which this Charge says he had not. The Commander in Chief approves the sentence. But as it appears to have been a matter of question, whether a brigadier or officer commanding a brigade in a line of march has a discretionary power to order halts? the General thinks it necessary to declare that it is highly improper for him so to do but in cases of extreme necessity when the halt or the cause of it should be immediately reported to the officer commanding the division who is at the same moment to inform the General or commanding officer of the Column that he may take measures accordingly to prevent a separation of the column and the bad consequences which may result therefrom. It is nevertheless the duty of a brigadier or officer commanding a brigade if he finds his men fatigued: suffering for want of water or in need of a halt from any other good reason, to make immediate representation thereof to the officer under whose command he immediately is, that the knowledge of it may be communicated to the officer commanding the column.

Colonel Hazen is released from his arrest.

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Wyllys is president is dissolved.

MAJOR GENERAL GREENE'S ORDERS

His Excellency the Commander in Chief going to be absent from the Army a few days,⁸ the knowledge of which possibly may reach the enemy and encourage them to make some movement in

consequence thereof; The General desires the officers of all ranks to be in perfect readiness to meet them on the shortest notice and recommends to the outguards to be very Vigilant and attentive and the Patrols active and watchful.

8. The Commander in Chief set out for Hartford, Conn., this day (September 17). He breakfasted at Samuel Haight's, "Plenbrook," September 18; supped and lodged at Caleb Baldwin, jr's, September 19. There is also in the *Washington Papers*, an account of Joseph Hopkins, September 19, for "14 meals Victuals for Genl. Washington and his attendants at 13 Dollars pr meal £54: 12: 0." Also at Waterbury, Conn., September 19, Samuel Frost's account is for "4 Horse Shoes set for Genl. Washingtons Family £16: 0: 0." Also in the *Washington Papers* is the general expenses account of this journey to Hartford and return, in which "Andrew Bostwick was paid 745 dollars, and Thomas Lewis 1651 dollars, on September 19, and 1429 dollars on September 23. Andrew Morehouse was paid 808 dollars, September 24; Obadiah Cooper 186 dollars, September 25." During the exciting days of Arnold's treason, John Ter Bush was paid \$250 and on September 26 James Cooper \$124. On September 29 Benjamin Elliot was paid "144 dollars and John Ter Bush 195." The last items on the account, presumably under the date of September 29, are \$6 for lodging at Fishkill and \$7 "for mending the Genls mans Boots."

GENERAL ORDERS¹⁶

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Monday, September 18, 1780.

Parole Washington. Countersigns War, Watch.

Watchword Wisdom.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Colonel Wyllys Lieutenant Colonel Conway
Major Edwards Brigade Major Woodbridge

The General desires the old officers of the day to favor him with their Company at dinner during the absence of the Commander in Chief.

At a Court of Enquiry called by desire of Colonel Angell, to enquire into a report relative to his being absent from his regiment in the action at Springfield the 23d of June last Colonel Nixon President.

The Court having heard and duly considered the evidence are unanimously of opinion that Colonel Angell was in the Action at Springfield of the 23d. of June last with his regiment and in the execution of his duty and behaved like a brave and good officer.

Major Genl. Green accepts and approves the report.

At a division General court martial the 15th. instant by order of Major General Marquis de la Fayette, Colonel Swift, President, Lieutenant William Mills¹⁷ of Colonel Gimatt's regiment of Light Infantry was tried for "Disobedience of Orders" and unanimously acquitted.

At the same Court, Ensign Jonathan T. Rawson¹⁸ of the same regiment was tried upon the same charge and unanimously acquitted.

Major General Greene approves the acquittals and orders Lieutenant Mills and Ensign Rawson released from arrest.

AFTER ORDERS, 5 O'CLOCK

The Army to march at the shortest Notice. Everything to be in perfect readiness for a movement.

One hundred fatigue men to parade tomorrow mornng. at seven o'clock on the Grand Parade, with their Arms and two days provisions if to be had.

16. The Commander in Chief left the Hopper House Sunday, September 17, for Hartford. On his return he reached the Robinson House (N.Y.), on September 25. He reassumed command of the Army at Tappan on September 25. To keep the record of the General Orders complete, they are

printed during Washington's short absence, though they are, in reality, the General Orders of Major General Greene.

17. Capt.-Lieut. William Mills, of the Fourteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; was made captain in May, 1781; transferred to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

18. Ensign Jonathan T. Rawson (Jeduthan(?) Rawson), of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the First Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781. and resigned in February, 1781.

Meigs's regiment to march very early tomorrow morning.

The commanding officer will call this Evening at General Greene's Quarters for orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Steenrapia, Tuesday, September 19, 1780.

Parole Falmouth. Countersigns Fame, H.

Watchword Here here.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Peters Major T L Moore Brigade Major Oliver.¹⁹

At seven o'clock tomorrow morning the General will beat the Assemblé at nine, and the Army will march at ten.

The baggage will precede the Army and begin to file off precisely at eight, agreeable to the order of march to be given for the purpose. The baggage that is not ready to fall in agreeable to the order

will be thrown out of the line and left in the rear of the troops; it is expected therefore the officers will be punctual in having the baggage ready to move at the time appointed.

The General desires the march may be conducted agreeable to the Regulations and with the greatest regularity; for this purpose every officer is requested to attend to his particular command.

Before the March commences the soldiers are to fill their Canteens with Water and the roll is to be called about one quarter of an hour before the Line of March is taken up.

The officers who lead the columns will take care to regulate the Motions of the Troops so as not to injure them by too rapid a march and will order proper halts at about every five Miles distance, and if possible at such places as to give the men an opportunity to replenish their Canteens with Water.

19. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

The invalids are to precede the Baggage and the officer commanding the baggage escort will take care and provide for those that shall fail on the March.

He is to allow no women to ride in the waggons unless their peculiar circumstances require it.

The sick of the light infantry and of the right wing who are unable to march are to be collected near General Pattersons brigade in the second line. Those of the left wing and Park of Artillery at the road leading to Paramus near Lord Stirling's Quarters. The whole to be collected at three o'clock this afternoon.

Major Talbot is appointed Member of the General Court martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson is President vice Major Leavensworth, ordered on Command.

Brigadier General Glover with the new Field officers of the day will Command the Vanguard which is to be formed in the road on the Left of the New Hampshire brigade at the beating of the General. The Camp colour men are to be paraded at the same time and place.

Brigadier General Clinton with the old field officers of the day will command the rear Guard which is to be formed on the Grand Parade at ten o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Wednesday, September 20, 1780.

Parole Haddington. Countersigns Holland, Hudson.

Watchword Order.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Hazen Lieutenant Colonel Hull Major Ballard Brigade Major Ashley

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Jackson is President to sit tomorrow morning nine o'clock at the Church. Orderlies from the Left wing.

The Guards and Picquets to parade near the Church, three quarters past five o'clock this afternoon.

One Hundred fatigue men to Parade tomorrow morning on the Grand parade with their Arms and two days Provisions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Thursday, September 21, 1780.

Parole Lancaster. Countersigns P., M.

Watchword Take care.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Cochran Major Alexander Brigade Major Darby

For detachment Major Cogswell.

The burning of fences and breaking up inclosures is so distressing to the inhabitants as well as disgraceful to an Army that has the least pretension to discipline and order that the General earnestly exhorts the officers of all ranks, but more particularly the commanding officers of regiments to take all possible care to prevent it and for this purpose the Camp and quarter guards are to confine every person detected in either removing or burning fencing stuff; and as it frequently happens that there are numbers of soldiers standing round a fire made of fencing though none will acknowledge or inform who made it such therefore as are standing by it shall be considered as the Authors unless they point

out the Persons and shall be confined and punished accordingly.

As it is much better to prevent crimes than punish them, the General desires the commanding officers of regiments to fix upon proper places for Kitchens that the cooking of the regiments may be done together as much as possible and that the police officers may visit them during the cooking hours as well to see that the cooking is properly performed as that the fires are not made with fencing stuff.

At the General Court martial whereof Colonel Jackson is president, the 16th. Instant, Major Murnan of the corps of Engineers was tried for “Unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior in taking possession of the quarters of the Reverend David Jones²⁰ in his Absence and for similar behavior to him in his quarters.”

The Court are of opinion that Major Murnan having a right to take possession of the quarters which Mr. Jones calls his is not Guilty of unofficer and ungentlemanlike conduct in taking possession of them. The Court do acquit Major Murnan of the last part of the charge against him.

Major General Greene confirms the opinion of the court.

Major Murnan is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, September 22, 1780.

Parole Washington. Countersigns Greene, Steuben.

Watchword Luzerne.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Barber
Major Davis Brigade Major Pettingel

20. Chaplain of a Pennsylvania brigade. He was transferred to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment
and served to the close of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Saturday, September 23, 1780.

Parole Louis. Countersigns Guichen, Ternay.

Watchword France.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Colonel Shreve Lieutenant Colonel Mellen Major
Tudor²⁵ Brigade Major Rice²⁶

The General officers, the heads and branches of all the different departments in the Army, the
Brigades of Infantry and Corps of Artillery, Horse and foot not brigaded, and the Artificers of the
Army are desired to make immediate returns of all Camp Equipage and public property and tools
in their possession belonging to the Quarter Master Generals department particularly of public

horses saddles bridles Tents and markees the whole to be signed by the principals or the Heads of the branches in the staff departments. The General officers returns will be signed by themselves.

The names of the individuals having horses, saddles or bridles in the incorporated Corps are to be mentioned on the back of the returns. Those made by the General Staff or others are to specify the persons names that have any of the aforesaid Articles in possession.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Sunday, September 24, 1780.

Parole Indostan. Countersigns Ireland, Iris.

Watchword Independence.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel Gansevoort Lieutenant Colonel Basset
Major Wiley²⁷ Brigade Major White²⁸

For detachment, Major Wallbridge.

25. Maj. George Tudor, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

26. Maj. Nathan Rice. He was aide to Lincoln.

27. Maj. John Wiley, of the Fourteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

28. Capt. Moses White, of the Second Canadian Regiment. He was aide to General Hazen to the close of the war.

AFTER ORDERS

Such of the regimental Surgeons as have not had a fresh supply of medicine are immediately to send their Chests to Mr. Cutting,²⁹ Apothecary General to the Army at his Store near Paramus Church where they will get a supply.

The Inspectors and brigade Quartermasters excepting those belonging to the Light Infantry are desired to meet the Inspector General tomorrow morning at nine o'clock at the Adjutant Generals.

The whole army to be under arms at ten o'clock; the horses belonging to the Artillery both in the Park and the line to be in readiness to move the Pieces.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Monday, September 25, 1780.

Parole De Kalb. Countersigns Porter field, Williams.

Watchword Glory.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Colonel M. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield Major Morrill³⁰ Brigade Major Moore

Twenty five waggoners to be drafted from the Line to Parade at Guard mounting tomorrow, the second brigade of Connecticut gives three the others two each.

Major Rosekrans is appointed brigade major of the day Vice Major Moore ordered on Command.

EVENING ORDERS ELEVEN O'CLOCK

The Pennsylvania division to march immediately. The rest of the Army to be put in perfect readiness to move on the shortest Notice.

29. John Brown Cutting.

30. Maj. Amos Morrill, of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He served to the close of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Tuesday, September 26, 1780.

Parole Smallwood. Countersigns Gist, Marion.

Watchword Intrepid.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Bradley Lieutenant Colonel Olney Major Waite⁶⁴ Brigade Major Smith

The truly martial appearance made by the troops yesterday the order and regularity with which they made the different marches and the ease and facility they performed the several manoeuvres does them the greatest Credit and affords the most flattering prospect of substantial service reputation and military glory.

Nothing can be more pleasing to the officers who feel for the honor of the Army and the Independence of America than to see the rapid progress made by the Troops in military discipline.

The good conduct of all the officers yesterday gave the general the highest satisfaction and the particular services of the Inspector General and those serving in that line deserve his particular thanks.

Treason of the blackest dye was yesterday discovered! General Arnold who commanded at Westpoint, lost to every sentiment of honor, of public and private obligation, was about to deliver up that important Post into the hands of the enemy. Such an event must have given the American cause a deadly wound if not a fatal stab. Happily the treason has been timely discovered to prevent the fatal misfortune. The providential train of circumstances which led to it affords the most convincing proof that the Liberties of America are the object of divine Protection.

At the same time that the Treason is to be regretted the General cannot help congratulating the Army on the happy

64. Maj. Jason Waite (Wait), of the Third New Hampshire Regiment. He was transferred to the First New Hampshire Regiment in January, 1781, and resigned in December, 1782.

discovery. Our Enemies despairing of carrying their point by force are practising every base art to effect by bribery and Corruption what they cannot accomplish in a manly way.

Great honor is due to the American Army that this is the first instance of Treason of the kind where many were to be expected from the nature of the dispute, and nothing is so bright an ornament in the Character of the American soldiers as their having been proof against all the arts and seduction of an insidious enemy.

Arnold has made his escape to the Enemy but Mr. André the Adjutant General to the British Army who came out as a spy to negotiate the Business is our Prisoner.

His Excellency the commander in Chief has arrived at West-point from Harford and is no doubt taking the proper measures to unravel fully, so hellish a plot.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Wednesday, September 27, 1780.

Parole Westpoint. Countersigns Fortune, Favours.

Watchword America.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Marshall Lieutenant Colonel Vose
Major Cogswell Brigade Major Woodbridge

For detachment Major Maxwell⁶⁵

At a division General Court martial Sept. 17th, Colonel Swift president, Peter Rooney, James Moore, John Miller and James Welch Soldiers in Colonel Stewards regiment of Light infantry were tried for "Robbery" severally found Guilty of the charge and sentenced to suffer death (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto).

Major General Greene Approves the sentence.

65. Maj. Hugh Maxwell, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant colonel of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in August, 1782; transferred to the Third Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

At the General court martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson is President, the 23d. instant: Thomas Thomson, Forage master to General Hand's brigade was tried for "Exchanging public Oats for bridles."

The Court are of opinion that Mr. Thompson is guilty of the charge against him being a breach of Article 1st. Section 12 of the Articles of War and do sentence that he shall at his own charge make good the Loss or damage shall moreover forfeit all his Pay and be dismiss'd from the service.

Major General Greene confirms the sentence of the Court and orders it to be carried into Execution.

At the same Court, Abraham Cooper, a waggoner was tried for "Embezzling public stores when employed in Carting the same to the Army" and acquitted. He is to be released from Confinement.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Thursday, September 28, 1780.⁷⁰

Parole Rotterdam. Countersigns F., C.

Watchword Advance.

For the day tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Bradford Lieutenant Colonel Sumner
Major Walbridge Brigade Major Oliver

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Friday, September 29, 1780.

Parole Pennsylvania. Countersigns Peru, Po.

Watchword Prepare.

For the day tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Colonel Angell Lieutenant Colonel Newall Major
Reid Brigade Major Ashley

70. Washington resumed command of the Army on this date.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Saturday, September 30, 1780.

Parole Green. Countersigns Greece, Guard.

Watchword Gallant.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Colonel Vose Lieutenant Colonel Badlam Major
Throop Brigade Major Darby

For Detachment Major Winslow⁷⁴

The Brigade Quarter masters are to make out returns of the number of Tents absolutely wanting to
cover the men agreeably to the regulations; These to be signed by the officers commanding brigades
and sent to the Quarter masters store this afternoon.

Twelve waggoners to be drafted from the line and sent to the Grand parade tomorrow at Guard mounting.

Colonel Pickering having been appointed by the Honorable the Congress Quarter Master General to the Army of the United States; he is to be obeyed and respected as such. Henry Emanuel Lutterloh Esquire is also appointed Commissary of Forage.

As the direction of the Waggon Department is a charge of great importance (in foreign Armies generally intrusted to a Field officer of the line) and as it is thought the service will be benefitted by a similar practice in our Army Major Cogswell of the first Massachusetts's regiment is appointed Waggon Master to the Main Army and is to be obeyed as such.

The Commander in Chief takes this occasion to thank Major General Greene for the able and satisfactory manner in which he discharged the duties of the Quarter Master General's department during his continuance in office; and to Express his Approbation of his Conduct and orders in the Absence of the General.

74. Maj. Nathaniel Winslow, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Sunday, October 1, 1780.

Parole Hellespont. Countersigns M., Q.

Watchword Look about.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Cilley Lieutenant Colonel Dearborn Major Harwood⁸⁶ Brigade Major Pettingall

The Board of General officers appointed to examine into the Case of Major André have reported.

1st. "That he came on shore from the Vulture sloop of War in the night of the 21st. of September last on an interview with General Arnold in a private and secret manner."

2dly. "That he changed his dress within our Lines and under a reigned name and in a disguised habit passed our works at Stoney and Vere-Planks Points the Evening of the 22d. of September last and was taken the morning of the 23d. of September last at Tarrytown in a disguised habit being then on his way to New York; and when taken he had in his possession several Papers which contain'd intelligence for the Enemy."

The Board having maturely considered these Facts do also report to his Excellency General Washington:

"That Major André Adjutant General to the British Army ought to be considered as a spy from the Enemy and that agreeable to the Law and usage of nations it is their opinion he ought to suffer Death."

The Commander in Chief directs the execution of the above Sentence in the usual way this afternoon at five o'clock precisely.

At a division General Court martial the 11th. of September last Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Sherman President,

86. Maj. Peter Harwood, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned In October 1780.

Major Albert Chapman⁸⁷ was tried upon the following Charges:

1st. "For Embezzling public property and endeavouring to induce the Quarter master of the regiment to assist him in embezzling powder for his own private use."

2d. "For making up two enormous bills against Colonel Nelson, an inhabitant of Morristown for taking up a strayed horse the property of said Nelson and that without any expence to himself."

3d “For giving a Certificate to a soldier in the 7th. regiment that he was inlisted for three years only, when he had repeatedly muster'd him for during the war and sworn to the Muster Rolls.”

The Court on considering the first and third Charges against Major Chapman are of opinion the charge of Embezzling public property is not supported therefore do acquit him of it; but find him guilty of the other part of the first and third charge being a breach of Article 5th. Section 18th. of the Articles of War and do sentence him to be reprimanded in Division orders.

The General is sorry to be under the disagreeable necessity of differing in opinion with the Court; but he thinks the sentence entirely inadequate to charges of so serious a nature as those of which they find Major Chapman guilty. He is released from Arrest.

There was a mistake in entering the evening order of the 25th. ultimo: instead of the Pennsylvania division, the first Pennsylvania brigade only should have been mentioned as the second brigade did not receive marching orders 'till several hours after.

AFTER ORDERS

The Execution of Major André is postponed 'till tomorrow.⁸⁸

EVENING ORDERS

Major André is to be executed tomorrow at twelve o'clock precisely a Battalion of Eighty files from each wing to attend the Execution.

87. Of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

88. André's execution was postponed on the receipt, by Washington, of a letter dated September 30, from Sir Henry Clinton, informing him that he was sending Lieutenant General Robertson, Lieut. Gov. Andrew Elliot, and Chief Justice William Smith to Dobbs Ferry to meet Washington, or such persons as he might appoint, “to give you a true State of facts, and to declare to You my Sentiments

and Resolutions.” Clinton's letter is in the *Washington Papers*. The interview was between Generals Greene and Robertson, Elliot and Smith not being allowed to land, as they were civilians, and the matter was wholly a military one. Robertson's report to Clinton mentioned that Greene had said “they expected if André was set free, Arnold should be given up.” Whether or not this was pure invention by Robertson, it was, of course, an impossible condition for Clinton. The interview accomplished nothing.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Monday, October 2, 1780.

Parole Lisbon. Countersigns Look, E.

Watchword Hereabouts.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Tupper Lieutenant Colonel Sill Major Knapp Brigade Major Rice

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Tuesday, October 3, 1780.

Parole North Carolina. Countersigns Namur, Pym.

Watchword Justice.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Reid Lieutenant Colonel Johnston Major Wyllys Brigade Major White

For Detachment, Major Chapman

AFTER ORDERS

Each regiment to furnish two Tents for the Camp and Quarter Guards. The brigade Quarter masters will see that they are properly pitched immediately.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Wednesday, October 4, 1780.

Parole Warwick. Countersigns N., R.

Watchword Hark.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Stark Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Weissenfels
Lieutenant Colonel Holdridge Major Ballard Brigade Major Rosekrans

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Thursday, October 5, 1780.

Parole Yarmouth. Countersigns York, Yes.

Watchword How are you.

For the Day tomorrow Brigadier General Clinton Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Smith
Lieutenant Colonel Whiting Major Wiley Brigade Major Woodbridge

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Orangetown, Friday, October 6, 1780.

Parole Tarinton. Countersigns Take Care.

Watchword Tattoo.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover² Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Sherman
Lieutenant Colonel Huntington Major Moril Brigade Major Oliver

The General will beat at seven o'Clock tomorrow morning, the Assemblé at half past eight, and the march will commence at nine precisely; the Quarter master General will furnish the route and order of march.

A detachment from the fourth Massachusett's regiment to Garrison the works at Dobbs's ferry to be sent at sunrise tomorrow morning.

The sick to be sent to the flying hospital near the Magazine this afternoon.

AFTER ORDERS

The General expects the strictest conformity to the regulations and the greatest attention to preserve regularity on the march and particularly where the Army halts to prevent the wanton destruction of fences.

The Officers which compose the General Court Martial

2. Brig. Gen. John Glover.

whereof Colonel H Jackson is President are to march with the right Column.

A Field Officer from General Howe's division with a Commissioned officer from each division in the Army are to take the superintendency of the sick which are sent to the Flying hospital.

The Van Guard of the right column to be formed on the Grand Parade at seven o'clock precisely, the brigade and regimental Quarter masters are to attend at the same time and place.

The Camp Color men and the Invalids under proper officers are to be brought on the Grand Parade with the Van Guard.

The Rear Guard to be paraded nine o'clock at the same Place.

Brigadier General Glover with Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Sherman will command the Van. Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Smith with Lieutenant Colonel Whiting and Major Wiley take Command of the Rear Guard.

The Baggage will begin to file off at eight o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Paramus, Saturday, October 7, 1780.

Parole Asia. Countersigns Brave, Best.

Watchword, Be ready.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Lieutenant Colonel Furnald⁸ Major Prior⁹
Brigade Major Ashley

If tomorrow is fair the General and Assemble will beat, the baggage file off and the Army march at the same time as this morning. The Van under command of the new and the rear Guard under Command of the old officers of the day will parade in the Hackensack road where the Totowa road branches off.

8. Lieut. Col. Tobias Fernald.

9. Maj. Abner William Prior, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and resigned in December, 1781.

The Connecticut Division will mount the necessary Picquets on the right: Baron Steuben's on the left: General Howe's a Sub and twenty at Head quarters, the same in the rear on the Totowa road; a Corporal and six at the Quarter Master General's and the same Number at the Adjutant General's.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Paramus, Sunday, October 8, 1780.

Parole Tadmor. Countersigns P., S.

Watchword Look about.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonels Peters Hull Brigade
Major Darby

If the weather is fair tomorrow the Army will march. The order for marching the same as yesterday.

An officer from each brigade to be sent back this afternoon on the road the Army marched to pick up stragglers and see that the Waggons which may be left in the rear are brought on.

Half the Pioneers and a company of Artificers are to parade as soon as possible near General Glover's quarters. An officer from each division will take charge of them, a serjeant from each brigade for this duty. Colonel Tupper is requested to take the direction of the whole and see that they repair the road between this and Totowa bridge.

The officers commanding regiments are desired to see that their mens Cartridge boxes and ammunition are dried this afternoon.

AFTER ORDERS

The first Pennsylvania brigade will lead the column to morrow. The light Infantry will march about one mile in the rear.

A General court martial to sit at West point on Monday the 23d. Instant for the Trial of Colonel Sheldon, of the second regiment of light dragoons. Colonel Hazen will preside, Lieutenant Colonel Temple, Major Wylly, two Captains from the second regiment of light dragoons, three Captains

from the fourth, and five Captains from the brigades of Infantry in the Highlands are appointed Members.

All Witnesses and persons concerned will attend.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, October 9, 1780.

Parole Paramus. Countersigns Perth, Pell.

Watchword Pracaness.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Wyllys Lieutenant Colonel Mellen Major Wallbridge Brigade Major Pettingell

Colonel Moylan with his regiment of Cavalry will take post near the little falls and Major Parr with his Corps at the Notch; and both will patrol on the roads towards Newark and Aququakanung.

The Marquis de la Fayette will post Major Lee's corps on his left and take care of the Approaches to his incampment.

As the Army is incamped very conveniently for wood the destruction of fences will be without excuse and must be prevented at all events. The officers commanding divisions and brigades are particularly requested to examine the present state of them that they may be the better able to detect

and punish the offenders against this order. The General wishes also that all possible care may be taken to prevent injury to the Fruit trees in which he includes the Chesnut, many of which he has seen cut down in order to come at the nuts.

The Marechausie will perform the duties of the Camp and Captain Bedkins Corps will furnish orderlies to Head Quarters.

The Grand Parade is assigned for the present near the great falls where the guards and Picquets are to parade at five o'clock this afternoon.

The Troop to beat at eight o'clock 'till further orders and the Guards to be on the Grand Parade at nine precisely.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, October 10, 1780.

Parole Albany. Countersigns Alps, Arr.

Watchword, Franklin.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Bailey Lieutenant Colonel Basset Major Maxwell Brigade Major Woodbridge

The General Court martial whereof Colonel Jackson is President, to sit tomorrow morning Ten o'clock at a house near Totowa bridge.

The Commander in Chief desires that the Colonels and Officers commanding regiments in the several state lines will by Saturday next without fail make returns to the Adjutant General of the men in their respective regiments designating by Columns how many are engaged for the War; and how many of these are actually present; how many on command, extra service and in hospitals and where. The officers will be as accurate as possible in this and will return no men about whom they have not received certain recent Accounts.

They will also designate by monthly columns extending the Columns to July next the proportion of men in each Month whose services will expire.

The Colonels and Commanding officers of regiments of Artillery Cavalry and of all other Regiments and Corps not comprehended in State lines are to make a similar return in which they are also to designate the particular States to which their men belong and the Proportion of each.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, October 11, 1780.

Parole Cape Ann. Countersigns L., E.

Watchword Order.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield Major Winslow Brigade Major Oliver

Twenty two waggoners to be draughted from the line to be sent to the grand parade tomorrow at guard mounting.

As the soldiers have begun to build chimneys to their tents the General desires that the commanding officers of regiments and companies will be particularly attentive in seeing that the funnels are raised so much above the ridge pole of the Tents to prevent damage from the fire or smoke which heretofore has been very injurious to the Tents of the Army.

Major Parr's corps of riflemen are permitted to try their rifles between the hours of three and five P. M.

At the General Court Martial whereof Colonel Henry Jackson is president the 25th. ulto. Captain Andrew Porter of the Artillery was Tried for "Falsely and Maliciously misrepresenting the conduct of Colonel Thomas Procter as an officer in saying he discharged soldiers of his regiment for his private gain thereby defrauding the United States and from the same false and malicious views did say that he had not more than thirty or forty men in his said regiment on the Western expedition

under General Sullivan and for conduct unbecoming an officer and a Gentleman towards Colonel Procter in the above mentioned instances.”

The Court are of opinion that Captain Porter is Not Guilty of either of the charges against him and do acquit him.

At the same Court was tried Captain Daniel Pendleton³⁷ of the regiment of Artificers for “Defrauding the United States in the following instances: First for dating men back from the time of their enlistments.

Second, for discharging two men, one of which was a deserter from his company and the other had never joined; and taking money for said discharges and returning others in their room that were enlisted by his serjeant who were strangers to the matter. Also for keeping such bounties encouragement, and wages from September 1777 to February 1778 for his own use.

Thirdly, for leaving at Croton as a pledge for his reckoning some Spades, ordered by Major Forsyth to be carried from Kingsferry to White Plains.”

The Court are of opinion that the facts contained in the first Charge, and first part of the second charge against Captain Pendleton are supported; but from the Evidence in the case it appears that Captain Pendleton's conduct in some instances arose from a mistaken Zeal to serve the public, and in others from an erroneous judgement; they therefore

37. Of Baldwin's Artillery Artificer regiment. He served to May, 1781.

acquit Captain Pendleton of defrauding the United States in either Case tho' they think his conduct highly reprehensible; it appears to the court on the latter part of the second charge that Captain Pendleton has not kept the bounties. that he has kept part of the wages drawn in the names of Barnes and Hooker for his own use, but by their consent, but he is Not Guilty of defrauding the United States in this instance.

The Court find the third Charge not supported and entirely groundless.

Mr. John Christie, Forage master to General Clinton's brigade, was likewise tried at the same court for "Giving Certificates for a number of Horses more than he had, to the inhabitants of Schralenberg.

The Court are of opinion that Mr. Christie is Not Guilty of the Charge.

The Commander in Chief confirms the foregoing opinions of the Court. Captains Porter and Pendleton and Forage Master Christie are released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, October 12, 1780.

Parole Rariton. Countersigns Ross, Rice.

Watchword Resolution.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntingdon Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Vose
Major Chapman Brigade Major Ashley

Two Subs two serjeants and forty rank and file for fatigue tomorrow, furnished with two days provision to repair the roads and bridges.

A Collier from each brigade to be employed under the direction of Colonel Baldwin while the Army remains in its present position.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, October 13, 1780.

Parole Wilmington. Countersigns Wesel, West.

Watchword Watch.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Sumner
Major Harwood⁷⁶ Brigade Major Darby

At a General Court Martial held at Fort Pitt the 14th. of August last, Colonel Gibson President, Captain Thomas Beall of the Maryland independent corps was tried “for discharging a Soldier after having been duly inlisted and receiving his regimental cloathing through private and interested views thereby defrauding the United States” found Guilty, being a breach of the first Article twelfth section of the Articles of War and sentenced to be dismiss'd from the service.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders it to take place.

At the same court David Gamble, a soldier of the 8th. Pennsylvania regiment was tried on the following charges

First: Desertion: Second: Having counterfeit money in his Possession.

Unanimously found Guilty being a breach

76. Maj. Peter Harwood, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He resigned in October, 1780.

of Article first Section sixth of the Articles of war, Sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the sentence and orders that David Gamble be executed at such time and Place as the commanding officer in the western department shall direct.

Peter Davis a soldier of the 9th. Virginia regiment was tried at the same court for “Desertion” found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence but from the intercession of the Court he is pleased to pardon him.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, October 14, 1780.

Parole Amazon. Countersigns Amber, Arras.

Watchword Army.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel M. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Newall
Major Knapp Brigade Major Pettingal

A General Court Martial to assemble next Monday morning nine o'clock at the President's Marquee for the trial of all persons brought before the court. Colonel Bailey will preside: Lieutenant Colonel Vose, Major Winslow, a Captain from each brigade of Infantry, and two from the Park of Artillery are appointed Members.

All persons concerned to attend.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, October 15, 1780.

Parole Verona. Countersigns Verd, Usk.

Watchword Valor.

For the Day tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Bradly⁸⁷ Lieutenant Colonel
Robinson⁸⁸ Major Hamilton Brigade Major Moore.

The Issuing Commissaries are to deliver all their sheep and Calve skins to the field commissary of military stores with the Park of Artillery who will have them properly dressed for Drum heads.

In the present divided State of the Army the following is to be the Order of battle: The Two Pennsylvania and the first and second Massachusetts brigades will compose the first line. The two Connecticut and third and fourth Massachusetts the second line. The right Wing will consist of the Pennsylvania and Connecticut Brigades under the command of Major General Lord Stirling and the Left of the four Massachusetts brigades commanded by Major General St. Clair. The Light Infantry with the rifle corps under Major Parr and Lee's Legion will compose the advance Corps of the Army under the Command of Major General Marquis De La Fayette.

An Alarm will be communicated from the Park by two Guns as usual, upon which, or in forming the Order of Battle at any other time, Moylan's dragoons will take post on the right; and the Marechausie with Bedkin's troop on the left of the first line. The Park will be in the Centre of the second line.

As Head Quarters are somewhat remote from Camp⁸⁹ and it is inconvenient for the officers of the day to attend as heretofore,

87. Col. Philip Burr Bradley, of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

88. Lieut. Col. Thomas Robinson, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

89. At the house of Col. Theunis Dey.

the General dispenses with their attendance while we remain in the present Position, when there is nothing more than common in the report. He hopes and expects to have the Pleasure of the company of the relieved officers at dinner as usual at which time their report may be handed in to him.

At a General court martial held at Charlestown (New Hampshire) the 27th. of April last, Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Reid president, Brigadier General Jacob Bailey deputy quarter master general at Coos appeared before the Court on the following charge vizt. for "Suffering a quantity of Beef

at Coos to take damage through his inattention and neglect contrary to his engagements and duty” Plead not Guilty, but no prosecutor appearing to support the charge, the Court adjourn without day. Brigadier General Jacob Bailey is released from Arrest.

At a Court of enquiry held at Springfield (Massachusetts) the 18th. of April last, to examine into the quantity of provisions issued by Mr. Matthew Lynes, Deputy Commissary of issues at Coos during the Fall and Winter of 1778 and previous to Colonel Hazen's arrival there in the year 1779, likewise to enquire to whom, and by whose orders the provisions were issued; after particularly examining Mr. Lynes books, orders and Vouchers the court are unanimous in opinion that his accounts of provisions issued during the before mentioned periods, are true; whether he issued by proper authority the Commander in Chief will be able to judge by the return herewith delivered him.

The Commander in Chief is of opinion that Mr. Lyne had proper authority for issuing the quantity of provisions specified in the return alluded to by the Court.

The Brigade Majors of the day will furnish the Captains of the day with the parole and Countersigns on the Grand parade who are to deliver them to the officers commanding the Camp guards of their respective Divisions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, October 16, 1780.

Parole Neckar. Countersigns North, No.

Watchword Navy.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Marshal¹¹ Lieutenant Colonel Badlam
Major T. Moore Brigade Major Van Laer

At a General court martial at Springfield (Massachusetts) April 1780, Lieutenant Colonel commandant Reid, president, Mr. Isaac Tichenea,¹² Assistant Commissary for the Northern department was tried on the following charges.

“1st. For not complying with the orders received from proper authority—for forming a magazine of provisions on the upper part of Connecticut river in the latter part of the year 1778 and in the beginning of 1779.

2d. Making frequent and repeated misrepresentations of the ability of that part of the country which was assigned him as his purchasing district as an excuse for such neglect and disobedience of orders.

3dly. The delivering or causing to be delivered over to the issuing Commissary at Charles town and Coos a quantity of salted Beef in a state improper to be received by him and in a condition in which it could not be saved and afterwards neglecting to provide (tho' frequently requested) the necessary articles and means to save that species of provisions, by which the public have sustained a Loss.

4thly. A misapplication of public money in not procuring a proportion of the several and different species of provisions necessary to form a Magazine of provisions and in particular neglecting to secure the article of flour, the most essential.

11. Col. Thomas Marshall, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January 1781.

12. Tichnor (Tithenor), deputy commissary of purchases, Northern Department.

5thly. The want of a proper exertion in procuring the allowance of Provisions and Rum for the Troops who were serving under Colonel Hazen's command, as that detachment were the whole course of the summer on short allowance, and frequently without bread or flour.

6thly. Not supplying his Assistant, Major Child,¹³ with money to comply with the orders he had received and adequate to the Wants to fulfill the bargains and Contracts made for the public by

Major Child, by which the good people of that district have been greatly deceived and injured to the prejudice of the public service.

7thly. Preventing Mr Child, his Assistant, from purchasing Rum for the Troops at and about Coos which was offered him at a reasonable rate and at or about the same time selling a quantity of Rum (which had been bought up for public use) at an advanced price, the Profits of which it is presumed were then intended for his own private emolument.

8thly. For changing the district of Mr. Jonathan Child, his Assistant, to the prejudice of the public service and neglecting the public Provisions bought up this season and now at Charlestown in danger of being lost, all which tend to discover a want of inclination to serve the public: Judgement or Capacity to fill the office of a purchasing commissary.”

The Court are of opinion that the first second third fourth sixth and eight are not supported, from which Mr. Tichenea is of consequence acquitted; in respect to the fifth charge the Court are of opinion that no exertion on the part of Mr. Tichinea was wanting in procuring provision but think he wanted a proper exertion in procuring the Article of *Rum* . In respect to the seventh charge the court are of opinion that Mr. Tichinea did prevent Mr. Child from purchasing Rum for the Troops in and about Coos but are clearly of opinion that his selling the public rum was not only justifiable but necessary; and that the Profits arising therefrom were not converted to his

13. Maj. Jonathan Child. He was assistant commissary of purchases, Northern Department.

own emolument, but to the use and much to the advantage of the Public, but for want of a proper exertion in procuring the Article of Rum the Court are of opinion that he receive a reprimand from the Commander in Chief in general orders.

The Commander in Chief is sorry that he cannot agree with the court in the propriety of reprimanding Mr. Tichinea for not making proper exertions to procure the necessary quantity of Rum as it does not appear that he was furnished with the means of purchasing, on the contrary the Court in their opinion upon the seventh charge find that Mr. Tichinea was justifiable in disposing

of part of the Rum on hand to defray some of the expences of the Department and which was on or about the time that the Quantity alluded to was offer'd to his assistant Mr. Child for sale. Mr. Tichinea is released from his Arrest.

The regimental Surgeons are requested to send such sick as are proper subjects for Hospital to the flying hospital at Doremis's, Lord Stirling's former quarters, on the Pompton road.

A Return of shirts actually wanting (estimating one pr man) by the corps of artillery, infantry and cavalry to be made tomorrow morning at orderly time, none to be included but the soldiers enlisted for the war or a term beyond the expiration of the present year. The Light infantry to be included in the returns of the regiments to which they respectively belong. The state cloathiers are strictly enjoined to make returns at the same time of any cloathing they may have upon hand.

The Levies are not to be included.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, October 17, 1780.

Parole Lapland. Countersigns Leek, Lar.

Watchword Lively.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Bradford Lieutenant Colonel North, Major Wylley Brigade Major Woodbridge

A regiment from the second Connecticut brigade to take post at the Notch and relieve Major Parr who is to join the light corps of the army.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, October 18, 1780.

Parole Shandy. Countersigns Sharp, Snap.

Watchword Standfast.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine, Colonel Vose Lieutenant Colonel Hay, Major Alexander, Brigade Major Oliver,

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, October 19, 1780.

Parole Persia. Countersigns I., T.

Watchword Peep.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover, Colonel Tupper, Lieutenant Colonel Sill, Major Tudor, Brigade Major Ashley,

Twelve waggoners to be drafted from the line and sent to the orderly office this afternoon, four o'clock.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to make the following Promotions and Appointments: Brigadier General Smallwood to the rank of Major General. Colonel Daniel Morgan to the rank of Brigadier General. Mr Abraham Skinner Commissary General of Prisoners.

Doctor William Shippen junr. Director General. Doctor John Cochran Chief Physician and Surgeon of the Army. Doctors James Craik, Malachi Treat and Charles McKnight Chief Hospital Physicians. Thomas Bond junr. Purveyor. Isaac Ledyard Assistant purveyor. Doctor Andrew Craig Apothecary. William Johannot Assistant Apothecary.

Doctors James Tilton, Samuel Adams, David Townsend, Henry Latimer, Francis Hagan, Philip Turner, William Burnet, John Warren, Moses Scott, David Jackson, Bodo Otto, Moses Bloomfield, William Eustis, George Draper and Barnabas Binney Hospital Physicians and Surgeons.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased in just Abhorrence of the perfidy of his conduct to pass the following Act:

In Congress October 4, 1780

Resolved, That the Board of War be and hereby are directed to erase from the register of the names of the officers of the army of the United States, the name of Benedict Arnold.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, October 20, 1780.

Parole Tasso. Countersigns Tom, Trip.

Watchword Troop.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Craige Lieutenant Colonel Johnston Major Ballard Brigade Major Darby

The Grand Parade is changed to a field between General St. Clairs and General Huntington's quarters.

The officer commanding the Provost-guard is upon the requisition of the President of a Court martial to send the Prisoners demanded under a proper guard to the Court should circumstances at any time render the making a detachment from the Provost guard unsafe the officer is to acquaint the President that an escort may be obtained from the troops nearest at hand.

At a Division General Court martial the 5th instt., Colonel Ogden President, Samuel Jones of Colonel Gimat's regiment of Light Infantry was tried for "Desertion and attempting to go to the enemy" found Guilty and sentenced (more than two thirds of the court agreeing) to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence but is pleased to Pardon Samuel Jones upon the particular recommendation of Colonel Tupper and Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield of the Regiment to which he belongs in the Line.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, October 21, 1780.

Parole Corsica. Countersigns R., U.

Watchword Caution.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Butler
Lieutenant Colonel Holdridge Major Prior Brigade Major Pettingal

Brigade returns of shoes actually wanting by the Artillery and Infantry regimentally digested to be made tomorrow at orderly time. The Draughts are not to be included.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, October 22, 1780.

Parole India. Countersigns Ill, Inn.

Watchword Industry.

For the day tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Hubley
Lieutenant Colonel Whiting Major Wallbridge Brigade Major Moore.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, October 23, 1780.

Parole Holland. Countersigns Hay, Hall.

Watchword Hope.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Smith Lieutenant Colonel Mentgez Major Maxwell Brigade Major Van Laer

The Corps of Light Infantry will remove from its present encampment and take Post on the most convenient ground to the Cranetown gap and the notch for the more effectual security of our right.

General St. Clair will take care of the approaches on the Left.

Colonel Moylan's regiment will furnish the necessary patrols and will take a new position for that purpose.

The officers of the Army are to be furnish'd with two rations pr day 'till further orders.

At a Brigade general court martial held the 17th. instant, whereof Lieutenant Colonel Mentges was president.

Lieutenant Edward Butler,⁸⁷ Quarter master of the 9th. Pennsylvania regiment tried for “neglect of duty as Quarter master in not providing a waggon for the use of the regiment on the 10th. instant agreeable to Brigadier General Irvine's orders.”

The court are of opinion that the charge exhibited against Lieutenant Butler is groundless and do therefore Acquit him.

Lieutenant Butler is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, October 24, 1780.

Parole Dorchester. Countersigns Don. Dol.

Watchword Denmark.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Lieutent. Colonel Commdt Sherman Lieutent
Colonel Murray Major Talbot Brigade Major Smith

87. Of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was transferred to the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment
in January, 1781, and to the Third Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to November,
1783.

The sub clothiers of the different corps are to apply tomorrow morning eight o'clock at the clothier
general's store for their proportion of shirts and shoes.

Major Platt, late Aid De Camp to Major General McDougall is appointed Deputy Quarter Master to
the Main Army and is to be obeyed as such.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, October 25, 1780.

Parole Washington. Countersigns Greene, Fayette.

Watchword—

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Fernald
Major Throop Brigade Major Woodbridge.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, October 26, 1780.

Parole Luzerne. Countersigns Rochambeau, Ternay.

Watchword—

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Peters Major Knapp² Brigade Major Oliver³

2. Maj. Moses Knapp, of the Eleventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781, and to the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

3. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, October 27, 1780.

Parole Essex. Countersigns G., W.

Watchword Expert.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Mellen Major Wiley Brigade Major Ashley

Lieutenant Colonel Badlam is appointed member of the general court martial whereof Colonel Bailey is President, vice Lieutenant Colonel Vose indisposed.

The General has the pleasure to congratulate the army on an important advantage lately obtained⁴ in North Carolina over a corps of 1400 men, British troops and new Levies commanded by Colonel

Ferguson.⁵ The militia of the neighbouring country under Colonels Williams,⁶ Shelby,⁷ and others having assembled to the amount of 3000 men detached 1600 of their number on horseback to fall in with Ferguson's party on its march to Charlotte; they came up with them at a place called King's mountain, advantageously posted, and gave them a total defeat; in which Colonel Ferguson with 150 of his men were killed, 800 made prisoners and 1500 stand of arms taken. On our part the loss was inconsiderable. We have only to regret that the brave Colonel Williams was mortally wounded.

This advantage will in all probability have a very happy influence upon the successive operations in that quarter. It is a proof of the spirit and resources of the country.

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5. Col. Patrick Ferguson, of the British provincial troops. He was major in the Second Battalion, Seventy-first Foot, in the British regulars.

6. Col. James Williams, of the North Carolina Militia.

7. Col. Isaac Shelby, of the Virginia Militia

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, October 28, 1780.

Parole Morocco. Countersigns May, Moore.

Watchword Mark.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel M. Jackson Lieutenant Colonel Basset Major Alexander Brigade Major Darby

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, October 29, 1780.

Parole Armenia. Countersigns Avon, Argos.

Watchword Arms.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Bradley Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield
Major Tudor Brigade Major Pettingal

Ensign John Humphrey¹² of the 6th. Pennsylvania regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same, vice
Lieutenant Herbert resigned from the first instant.

The grand parade is altered to the field near the Artificers.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased by their Act of the 23d. Instant to promote
Brigadier General Parsons to the rank of Major General in the Continental Army.

12. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781; appointed lieutenant
in the Fourth Continental Artillery in April, 1782 served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, October 30, 1780.

Parole Norwalk. Countersigns N., E.

Watchword Now.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Marshal Lieutenant Colonel Sumner
Major Prior Brigade Major Moore

At a General court martial Philadelphia September 27th. 1780, Colonel Francis Johnston President, Doctor James B. Sharpe,²¹ was tried for “Disobedience of orders” found guilty, being a breach of Section 2d. Article 5th. of the Articles of war and sentenced to be reprimanded in general orders; but the court considering the peculiar situation in which the Director General placed Doctor Sharpe by having ordered him not to receive sick into the Hospital without the order was previously countersign'd by him or a senior surgeon which order the Court are of opinion is not warrantable, do therefore recommend it to the Commander in Chief to remit the sentence.

The General is sorry to disagree in opinion with the Court as the order given by the Director General appears to him founded in Expedience and the common practice of Service as well as consonant to the spirit of a general order of the 21st. of January 1778.

Doctor Sharpe is releas'd from Arrest.

At a General court martial of the Line whereof Colol. Bailey is President, the 16th. instant Colonel Thomas Procter of the Artillery was tried upon the following charges.

1st. Mustering men in his regiment as soldiers that were not actually doing the duty of Soldiers and returning them on command when they were doing the duty of Servants in his and other families in the city of Philadelphia.

21. Dr. James Boyd Sharpe. He was surgeon's mate in the Second Georgia Regiment; surgeon in December, 1782; served to close of the war.

2dly. Discharging Soldiers of his regiment for Sums of money.

3dly. Fraud in the settlement of his recruiting accompts.

4thly. Signing a false Certificate to a return for Quarter master's Stores.

5thly. Discharging a number of able bodied men from his regiment to the great prejudice of the service.

The Court are of opinion that Colonel Procter is not Guilty of either of the Charges exhibited against him and do acquit him with Honor.

The General entirely approves the determination of the Court: He cannot help remarking that the prosecution on the part of Captain Porter²² was vexatious groundless and illiberal; it is with pain too he has seen several instances for some time past where personal pique has given birth to prosecutions as unjust as they were indelicate and improper.

Colonel Procter is released from his Arrest.

Duplicate Returns of the names of all the officers in the Infantry, Artillery and Cavalry, to be made out regimentally and signed by the commandants of regiments and Corps specifying their ranks and dates of Commissions; Those of the Artillery, Cavalry, Additional regiments and Corps are to designate the states to which their officers respectively belong.

Those officers on the Staff are also to be noted in a seperate Column according to their several staff appointments, agreeable to the Form herewith given.

These returns to be transmitted without delay to the Orderly Office.

22. Capt Andrew Porter, of the Second Continental Artillery. He was transferred to the Fourth Continental Artillery in January, 1781; appointed major in April, 1781; lieutenant colonel in January, 1782; served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, October 31, 1780.

Parole Pittsburgh. Countersigns Platt, Quin.

Watchword Prepare.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Bradford Lieutenant Colonel Newall³⁵
Major Ballard Brigade Major Van Laer

Twelve waggoners to be draughted from the line and sent to the Orderly office tomorrow 12 o'clock. Two masons from the Pennsylvania Line to be sent at the same time.

The officers composing the general court martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson is President, are to return to their duty in the line.

While we continue in the present position the Post rider will leave camp at noon every Thursday instead of Friday morning. Letters therefore must be handed to the post office (at the Park) in time for the mail to be made up in that hour.

At a general court martial of the line, Fishkill, October 25th, 1780 Colonel Hazen President, Colonel Elisha Sheldon of the 2d. regiment of Light dragoons was tried on the following charges:

1st. Injuring the public service by discharging without proper authority from said regiment, a number of men inlisted upon continental bounty and encouragement to serve during the war.

2dly. Defrauding the public by selling and exchanging away regimental horses and converting the avails to his own use.

3dly. Defrauding the officers and soldiers of his regiment of plunder taken in action and converting the avails to his own private use.

35. Lieut. Col. Ezra Newhall, of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment.

4thly. With unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior.

The court are of opinion that he is not guilty of either of the charges exhibited as aforesaid, and do acquit him with Honor and a full Approbation' and the court on this occasion think it a duty further to add that the charges did not originate from a Zeal or desire to serve the United States; but rather thro' private animosity, pique or prejudice; that the prosecution is vexatious and Malicious; and that doctor Darius Stoddard,³⁶ the Complainant is justly chargeable with all the expence attending the court martial on the Trial of Colonel Elisha Sheldon.

His Excellency the commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court and orders Colonel Sheldon to be released from Arrest.

At the General court martial of the line whereof Colonel Bailey is President, the 20th. instant, George Berrien and James Berrien, Boatmen, were tried for "Breaking open a box of cloathing, or suffering it to be done whilst under their care, and taking Six pair of leather breeches, five pair of boots and one pair of Shoes belonging to the officers of Colonel Nixon's regiment."

The court on mature consideration are of opinion that the charge against the Prisoners is not supported.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court, and orders George Berrien and James Berrien released from Confinement.

36. Surgeon in the Hospital Department.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, November 1, 1780.

Parole Rockaway. Countersigns Rome, Radnor.

Watchword Remember.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Vose Lieutenant Colonel Hait⁵⁷
Major Wallbridge Brigade Major Smith

[The Commander in Chief has the happiness to inform the army, That The Honble. the Congress have been pleased by their Acts of the 3d. and 21st. of October to pass the following Resolutions: He is intirely persuaded, that the liberal provision now made will give universal satisfaction; and while it evinces the justice and generosity of Congress will prove a new motive to the zeal and exertions of the officers.]

That such of the sixteen additional regiments as have not been annexed to the line of some particular state and all the seperate light corps of the army, both of horse and foot, [(Colonel Hazen's regiment, Colonel Armands and Major Lee's corps excepted)] and also the German battalion, be reduced on the 1st day of January next: that the non-commissioned officers and privates in those several corps, be incorporated with the troops of their respective states, and that such of them as do not belong to any particular state, be annexed to such corps as the commander in chief shall direct.

That the regular army of the United States, from and after the 1st day of January next, consist of 4 regiments of cavalry, or light⁵⁸ dragoons; [or legionary corps,] 4 regiments of artillery; 49 regiments of infantry, exclusive of colonel Hazen's regiment, hereafter mentioned; [Colonel Armand's Partizan Corps Major Lee's do] 1 regiment of artificers:

57. Lieut. Col. Joseph Hair, of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

58. The draft reads "Four Regs. of mounted and dismounted dragoons."

That each regiment of cavalry, or light dragoons, [or Legionary corps] consist of 6 troops, [of mounted dragoons] and [two of dismounted dragoons,] that each troop consist of [sixty privates with the same number of commissioned and] 64 non-commissioned officers as at present:

[That the partizan Corps commanded by Colo. Armand and Major Lee shall consist of three troops of mounted and three of dismounted Dragoons of fifty each, to be officered by the Commander in Chief by the approbation of Congress; And that the Commander in Chief be authorised to direct a mode for compleating, recruiting and supplying the said Corps.]

That each regiment of artillery consist of 9 companies, and that each company consist of 65 non-commissioned officers and matrosses, with the same number of commissioned officers as at present.

That each regiment of infantry [requested from the several States shall] consist of 9 companies, and each company consist of 64 non-commissioned officers and privates; and That the regiment of artificers consist of 8 companies, and each company of 60 non-commissioned officers and privates: (one colonel, one lieutenant colonel and one major, where the full colonels are continued: or one lieutenant colonel commandant and two majors, where the colonels⁵⁹ are not continued: 9 captains, 22 subalterns, 1 surgeon, 1 surgeon's mate, 1 serjeant major, 1 quartermaster serjeant, 45 serjeants, 1 drum major, 1 fife major, 10 drums, 10 fifes, 612 rank and file:

59. The draft has "full colonels."

That there be one captain and two subalterns to each company, and that the four supernumerary subalterns shall each have the rank of lieutenant, one of which is to reside in the State to which he belongs, to inlist and forward on recruits; one drum and one fife from each regiment to attend the recruiting officer; the other three supernumerary officers to do the duty of paymaster, quartermaster and adjutant, in their respective regiments.)⁶⁰

and that the regiment of artificers consist of 8 companies, and each company of 60 non-commission'd officers and privates:

(That the whole of the troops be inlisted during the war, and join their respective corps by the first day of January next)⁶⁰

That the several states furnish the following quotas, viz.

New Hampshire, 2 regiments of infantry; Massachusetts Bay, 10 regiments of infantry and 1 of artillery; Rhode Island, &c. 1 regiment of infantry; Connecticut, 5 regiments of infantry and 1 of cavalry; New York, 2 regiments of infantry and 1 of artillery; New Jersey, 2 regiments of infantry; Pennsylvania, 6 regiments of infantry, 1 of artillery, 1 of cavalry, and 1 of artificers; Delaware, 1 regiment of infantry; Maryland, 5 regiments of infantry; Virginia, 8 regiments of infantry, 1 of artillery, and 2 of cavalry; North Carolina, 4 regiments of infantry; South Carolina, 2 regiments of infantry; Georgia, 1 regiment of infantry:

That the regiments of cavalry, and artillery, and of artificers, as they now stand be considered as belonging to the states respectively, to which they are or may be assigned, which state shall compleat them to the full

60. The portion within the parentheses is from the resolves of Congress of Oct. 21, 1780.

complement, supply them with necessaries, and in every respect treat them as if originally raised therein, and that such other states as now have non-commissioned officers or privates in any of the regiments aforesaid, be credited in their quota's for such men, according to their numbers, from time to time for which purpose the Commander in Chief is hereby directed to specify such noncommissioned officers and privates, and the states to which they formerly belonged, in the returns which he shall make to the states, and in his annual returns to Congress:

That the regiment⁶¹ commanded by Colonel Moses Hazen be continued on its present establishment, and that all noncommissioned officers and privates, being foreigners belonging to any of the reduced regiments and corps be incorporated therewith, and all volunteers from foreign

states, who are now in the service, or may hereafter join the American army be annexed to the said regiment:¶

(That the Commander in Chief and commanding officer in the southern department, direct the officers of each state to meet and agree upon the officers for the regiments to be raised by their respective states, from those who incline to continue in service; and where it cannot be done by agreement, to be determined by seniority, and make return of those who are to remain, which is to be transmitted to Congress, together with the names of the officers reduced, who are to be allowed half pay for life.

That the officers who shall continue in the service to the end of the war, shall also be entitled to half pay during life, to commence from the time of their reduction.)⁶²

That the Officers at Camp be empowered and directed to use every prudent measure and improve every favorable opportunity to enlist for the continuance of the War such of the Men belonging to their respective States as are not engaged for that period.

61. Second Canadian.

62. The portion within parentheses is from the resolves of Congress of Oct. 21, 1780.

That two dollars be granted to the recruiting Officer for every able bodied Soldier he shall enlist for the War, who shall join the Army and that a sum not exceeding Fifty dollars be allowed to every such Recruit.

That the Cloathing be furnished and regularly served out to the troops as it becomes due and that a full compensation be made for any arrearages of Cloathing.

The General directs that the Officers of the several lines will meet accordingly and agree upon an arrangement as speedily as may be, of the officers who remain in service and of those who retire, reporting the same to Head Quarters. It is of course to be understood, that none can retire with the

benefit of the provision here made, except such a number as exceeds that which is required in the establishment of the regiments.

The General Officers of the respective lines will be pleased to assist in these arrangements.⁶³

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, November 2, 1780.

Parole Kilkenny. Countersigns U., F.

Watchword Keep ready.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Irvine Colonel Starr Lieutenant Colonel North Major Maxwell Brigade Major Woodbridge

A detachment to parade tomorrow morning 10 o'clock on the Grand Parade furnished with Six days provisions and forty rounds pr man.

The Troop 'till further orders to beat at nine o'clock the Guards to be on the parade at Ten.

Lieutenant John Meacham⁶⁵ of the 3d Massachusetts regiment is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. of August last vice Adjutant Burnham.⁶⁶

63. A draft of these General Orders, in the writing of Alexander Hamilton and Tench Tilghman, is in the *Washington Papers*. The parts in brackets show the variation of the General Orders from the resolves of Congress of October 3, which are included between ¶s. (See also General Orders, Nov. 3, 1780.)

65. He was cashiered in December, 1780.

66. Lieut. Samuel Burnham, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He died in March, 1782.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, November 3, 1780.

Parole Totowa. Countersigns Upton, West.

Watchword Watch.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Butler Lieutenant Colonel Hay Major Talbot Brigade Major Oliver

Lieutenant Enos Reeves⁷⁶ of the 10th. Pennsylvania Regiment is appointed Quarter Master of the same vice Lieutenant Joseph Banks⁷⁷ from the 1st. Instant.

In the publication of the Extracts of the Resolves of Congress of the 3d. and 21st. of October there was an omission of part of that of the 3d. declaring that the retiring officers should be entitled to land at the close of the war agreeable to the resolution of the 16th. of September 1776; though the Resolution of the 21st. is silent on this Article, the General has no doubt that it remains in force.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, November 4, 1780.

Parole Congress. Countersigns Arms, Honor.

Watchword Generous.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Tupper Lieutenant Colonel Sill Major Throop Brigade Major Ashley

76. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to November, 1783.

77. Lieut. Joseph Banks, of the Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January. 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, November 5, 1780.

Parole Establishment. Countersigns V., G.

Watchword To Arms!

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Craig Lieutenant Colonel Johnston Major Hamilton¹⁴ Brigade Major Darby

MORNING ORDERS

Major Knapp is appointed Field Officer of the day, for this day, vice Major Throop, furloughed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, November 6, 1780.

Parole Prussia. Countersigns Plenty, Peace.

Watchword Look up.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel commandant Butler Lieutenant Colonel Holdridge Major T. L. Moore Brigade Major Pettingal.

The Honorable the Board of war having called for a Return of all officers holding military rank who are not adopted by or considered as belonging to any State in order that means may be fallen upon to make good the depreciation of their former pay, A Return of all those who come under the above description is to be made to the Adjutant General by the 1st. day of December next; but as some Officers who are interested in the foregoing may be at too great a distance to send in their names by

the above time, they are requested to do it as soon as possible afterwards, not exceeding the 1st. day of January next.

14. Maj. James Hamilton, of the Second Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

The General has just received information that Colonel Ogden and Captain Dayton who were in Elizabeth Town, were taken last night in their beds by the Enemy. A convincing proof that they have the most minute intelligence of every thing that passes in that place and that it is dangerous for an officer (except with a guard or under sanction of a flag) to remain there during the night; He has assured the Officers in General Orders that if any of them are taken out of the line of their duty and by their own imprudence that their Exchanges shall be postponed while there is an officer remaining in Captivity of their rank. He again repeats this in most solemn terms, with this further declaration that whenever they are exchanged, they shall be arrested and a full investigation had into the circumstances of their capture. The General means this as a caution to the army, not as a reflection upon the present conduct of Colonel Ogden who he has reason to believe was in the execution of business by proper authority: He is yet uninformed of the reason of Captain Dayton's being at Elizabeth-town.

It is with infinite regret the General is obliged once more to take notice of the disorderly conduct of the soldiers arising in a great measure from the abuse of passes: the whole country is overspread with straggling soldiers with the most frivolous pretences, under which they commit every species of robbery and plunder. In a ride he took the other day he found soldiers as low as Aquakanung bridge on both sides of the river and as far as he has ever yet gone round the environs of camp the roads and farm houses are full of them. To remedy these evils and to have the army ready for any sudden emergency the General does in most express and positive Terms forbid all but General Officers, and Officers commanding Regiments to grant passes; and not more than eight from a regiment are to be given by the latter in a day, and those only to Soldiers of orderly conduct.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, November 7, 1780.

Parole Hingham. Countersigns N., P.

Watchword Caution.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Lieutenant Colonel commandant Hubley
Lieutenant Colonel Whiting Major Wiley Brigade Major Moore.

At the General court martial of the Line whereof Colonel Bailey is President the 30th. of October last, Major Thomas Barnes of the 12th Massachusett's regiment was tried on the Resolve of Congress of December 6th. 1779 respecting absent officers, he being charged with "Overstaying his furlough from the 2nd. day of January last".

The Court on consideration are of opinion that Major Barnes having been indulged with a furlough and not joining his regiment at the Expiration thereof, has been properly notified agreeable to the Resolve of Congress of December 6th. 1779, and that he has neglected to join his regiment agreeable to such notification and do sentence that he be Cashiered.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court and orders it carried into execution.

GENERAL ORDERS

Headquarters, Totowa, Wednesday, November 8, 1780.

Parole Chatham. Countersigns Cork, Dee.

Watchword Defiance.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Lieutenant Colonel commandant Smith
Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Major Alexander Brigade Major Van Laer

Such of the Prisoners lately exchanged as belong to the Troops now at the Southward are to be attached to the Park untill the arrival of Captain Brown's Company of Artillery from Fort Schuyler, when they may proceed with it to their respective Corps. The commanding officer at the Park will cause a Return of the clothing wanting by those men to be made to the Adjutant General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, November 9, 1780.

Parole Lancaster. Countersigns M., B.

Watchword Wolfe.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonel commdt. Sherman Lieutenant Colonel Fernald Major Tudor⁵² Brigade Major Smith⁵³

The General court martial whereof Colonel Bailey is president, to assemble tomorrow morning, 9 o'clock at the Widow Godwin's for the trial of such persons as shall come before them. All persons concerned to attend.

Major Oliver,⁵⁴ Inspector to the 1st. Massachusetts Brigade, having obtained leave of absence, Captain Sewall⁵⁵ of the 12th. Massachusetts regiment is appointed to do that duty in his Absence.

52. Maj. George Tudor of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

53. Maj. David Smith. He was major of the Eighth Connecticut Regiment; brigade major and inspector to July, 1781 transferred to the Fifth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

54. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November, 1783.

55. Capt. Henry Sewall, jr. He was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in May, 1782, and was major and aide to General Heath from May, 1779, to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, November 10, 1780.

Parole Norwalk. Countersigns N., F.

Watchword Never fear.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Wyllys Lieutenant Colonel Mellen⁶³
Major Ballard⁶⁴ Brigade Major Sewall.

The Marechausie and Bedkin's corps are to take post on the left of the Army near the Light Infantry, and receive orders from Major General the Marquis de la Fayette.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, November 11, 1780.

Parole Bennington. Countersigns Bath, Boon.

Watchword Be ready.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Basset
Major Wallbridge⁶⁵ Brigade Major Ashley

Captain Converse⁶⁶ is to do the duty of Brigade Major and Inspector to the 2nd. Connecticut brigade in the absence of Major Woodbridge.⁶⁷

Lieutenant Henry Cunningham⁶⁸ is appointed Quarter-Master to the 2nd. Regiment of Artillery from the 21st. of June last.

Regimental Returns to be made immediately of the Invalids in Camp; These Returns to comprehend the weak and sickly men and such as are unfit for the duties of the Field for want of clothing; the Serjeants and Drums and Fifes are to be included but placed in separate

63. Lieut. Col. James Mellen, of the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1781; made lieutenant colonel commandant of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

64. Maj. William Hudson Ballard, of the Fifteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

65. Maj. Ames Walbridge (Wallbridge), of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

66. Capt. Thomas Converse, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; made brigade inspector in July, 1781; retired in January, 1783.

67. Maj. Theodore Woodbridge, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He was appointed brigade major and inspector to July, 1781; transferred to the First Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781 retired in January, 1783.

68. Of the Second Continental Artillery. He was regimental quartermaster to December, 1782, and served to June, 1784.

columns and the old Soldiers and Soldiers for the war are to be in columns distinct from the Levies but the whole to make one agregate in the column of Total. The commanding officers of regiments will be responsible that there are no impositions and that the returns are accurate. The same Returns

from the Light Infantry. These to be digested into brigade Returns and the whole transmitted to the Orderly Office.

At the General Court martial whereof Colonel Bailey is president Captain Barnard⁶⁹ of the 3d. Connecticut regiment was tried for "Having knowingly made a false muster of Grove Barnard a soldier of his company."

The Court are of opinion that the charge against Captain Barnard is not supported.

The Commander in Chief is under the of disapproving the Sentence, as it appears to him incontestibly proved (if any credit is to be given to Muster-Rolls invariably attested for near three years and other evidence) that Grove Barnard was inlisted for the War. Had he been inlisted by another officer it is possible that Captain Barnard might have been deceived by a false return but when it is considered that the soldier in question was his son and inlisted or entered by himself the General cannot conceive it possible that he could have made a mistake and continued in his error so long. If Grove Barnard is not dismissed from the Service he is to be detained untill further enquiry can be made.

At a Brigade General court martial the 18th. Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Butler president. Anthony Spinhouse, soldier in the 7th. Pennsylvania regiment taken in the Act of Desertion to the Enemy was tried found Guilty and Sentenced agreeable to the 6th. Section Article 1st. of the Articles of War (more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto) to Suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence.

69. Capt. John Barnard. He retired in January, 1781.

A Fatigue Party to parade tomorrow at Guard mounting with their Arms Packs and three days Provisions to repair the roads.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, November 12, 1780.

Parole Domingo. Countersigns Darby, Dover.

Watchword Duty.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield⁸⁴
Major Maxwell⁸⁵ Brigade Major Pettengill

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Monday, November 13, 1780.

Parole Maryland. Countersigns I., Q.

Watchword March.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Sumner
Major Talbot Brigade Major Darby⁸⁷

The invalids and men wanting clothing in the light infantry, excepting in the article of shoes are to join their respective regiments in the line of the army; they are not to be replaced by others.

Where the want of clothing in yesterday's report is confined to shoes only the men under that description are to be struck out of the returns because they may be supplied at the issuing Store; all the rest with the invalids and an addition of ten men from each regiment the whole under proper officers of their respective regiments or Lines are to march

84. Lieut. Col. Noah Moulton Littlefield, of the Eleventh Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

85. Maj. Hugh Maxwell, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment.

87. Maj. Samuel Darby, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

with their Arms baggage &ca. as soon as the Quarter Master General can furnish Waggons; They are to be provided with Tents and Campkettles from their respective lines and to be under the command of a Colonel from each who will receive his orders at Head Quarters.

The General recommends it very strongly to the officers remaining to send under this Escort every species of Baggage they can do without, to their Winter quarters, that the Army may be as light and the horses in the field lessened as much as possible.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, November 14, 1780.

Parole Lebanon. Countersigns Luck, Loo.

Watchword Lookout.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Marshall Lieutenant Colonel Newall Major Knapp Brigade Major Moore

At the General Court martial of the line whereof Colonel Bailey is president, the 10th. instant, Lieutenant Reeves⁹⁴ of the 10th. Pennsylvania regiment was tried for "A breach of general orders of the 6th. instant in granting a pass to Daniel Quinn, a soldier in the 10th. Pennsylvania regiment".

The court on consideration are of opinion that Lieutenant Reeves signed a pass for Daniel Quinn to pass to the Light infantry camp on which Quinn passed in breach of general orders; but it appears to the court that it was the intention of Lieutenant Reeves the pass should be signed by the

commanding officer of the regiment. On this consideration and the custom of the regiment they think Lieutenant Reeves excuseable.

94. Lieut Enos Reeves. He was transferred to the Second Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1781, and to the First Pennsylvania Regiment in January, 1783; served to November, 1783.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence and Lieutenant Reeves is released from his Arrest.

To prevent accidents of the same kind happening in future, let the commanding officers of companies only recommend the soldiers to the commanding officers of regiments for passes, this will put it out of their power to make use of the writing of which they are possessed before it is properly authenticated.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, November 15, 1780.

Parole Presburg. Countersigns Paris, Perth.

Watchword Hark.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Bradford Lieutenant Colonel Robinson Major Hamilton Brigade Major Van Laer

As nothing adds more to the beauty and appearance of a Corps than exact uniformity of dress; The General recommends it thus early to the Field officers newly arranged to fix upon a fashion for the regimental clothing of the officers of their respective corps (if it is not already done) confining themselves to the ground, facings, linings and buttons already assigned to the states to which they belong: The General sees with concern the difficulties which the officers labor under in procuring clothes; it is not therefore his wish that those who are already furnished should run themselves to the expence of new uniforms if their old are not exactly conformable, but that they should in future

comply strictly with the regimental fashion, and if possible get their old clothes altered to it. It has a very odd appearance especially to Foreigners to see the same corps of officers

each differing from the other in fashion of the facings sleeves and pockets of their coats. An attention to these minutia: has been thought proper in all services it becomes peculiarly so in ours at this time as we shall more than probable take the field next Campaign in conjunction with our Allies composed of the first Troops in Europe, who will receive impressions and form opinions from the first view.

This again induces the General to exhort all officers who continue in service to make themselves perfectly masters of every thing contained in the rules and regulations of the Army that there may be a strict uniformity in our manœuvres and discipline especially in honors paid to officers according to their several ranks, a thing scrupulously attended to and expected in foreign service.

Strict attention is to be paid to the order of the 18th. of June last distinguishing the rank of Officers by their Badges.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Thursday, November 16, 1780.

Parole Hamburgh. Countersigns X., U.

Watchword Silence.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Colonel Vose Lieutenant Colonel Badlam
Major T. L. Moore Brigade Major Smith

Regimental returns of the Arms drawn for the respective regiments this Campaign; the number now on hand and which have been turned in to the Conductors to be made to the Sub inspectors who will digest them into division returns and transmit them to the Orderly Office by Saturday next. These returns to be signed by the Colonels or Commanding Officers of Regiments.

The Commander in Chief takes occasion to remind the Officers of the astonishing number of arms which have been heretofore carried off by the discharged men and enjoins the strictest attention to that matter at the approaching dismissal of the Levies. The commanding officers of regiments will be answerable for all deficiencies which cannot be accounted for.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to Accept and Approve the following report of a court of Enquiry held at West Point the 2d. instt. to examine into the Conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Varick in his connexion with the late Major General Arnold during his command at West point and relative to his desertion to the Enemy. Colonel Van Schaick, president, Lieutenant Colonels Cobb and Dearborne Major Reid and Captain Cox¹⁶ Members.

The Court unanimously report their opinion “That Lieutenant Colonel Varick's Conduct with respect to the base Peculations and Treasonable Practices of the late General Arnold is not only unimpeachable but think him entitled (throughout every part of his conduct) to a degree of Merit that does him great honor as an Officer and particularly distinguishes him as a sincere Friend to his Country.”

The court martial whereof Colonel Bailey is president is dissolv'd.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, November 17, 1780.

Parole Naples. Countersigns Narva, Newark.

Watchword Now.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Starr Lieutenant Colonel Hay Major Wiley²³ Brigade Major Converse²⁴

16. Capt. Richard Cox, of the Third New Jersey Regiment. He was transferred to the Second New Jersey Regiment in January, 1781; appointed major in January, 1783; served to close of the war.

23. Maj. John Wiley, of the Fourteenth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1781.

24. Capt. Thomas Converse, of the Seventh Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; made brigadier inspector in July, 1781; retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, November 18, 1780.

Parole Ostend. Countersigns Olney, Oxford.

Watchword Obedience.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Butler Lieutenant Colonel Johnston Major Alexander Brigade Major Sewall.

The General requests that particular attention be paid to the order and cleanliness of the Camp: and to the service of the Guards.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, November 19, 1780.

Parole Roxbury. Countersigns N., R.

Watchword Rest.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Tupper Lieutenant Colonel Mentges Major Tudor Brigade Major Ashley

AFTER ORDERS

Lieutenant Colonel commandant Butler is appointed Officer of the day for tomorrow vice Colonel Tupper ordered on command.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totown, Monday, November 20, 1780.

Parole Tripoli. Countersigns Troy, Trim.

Watchword Try.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Patterson Lieutenant Colonel commandant Hubley Lieutenant Colonel Fernald Major Wallbridge Brigade Major Pettingill

Return of Shoes wanting by the Artillery, Connecticut and Massachusetts lines, to be made this afternoon to the Adjutant General, and the shoes drawn tomorrow.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Tuesday, November 21, 1780.

Parole Verona. Countersigns Z., U.

Watchword Valor.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Lieutenant Colonel commandant Smith Lieutenant Colonel Peters Major Maxwell Brigade Major Moore

The General having received intelligence that the enemy mean to make a Forage in this State;⁵⁰ the Army is to be held in readiness to move at a moments warning: They will keep two days provision

cooked before hand. The officers are to remain in Camp and no passes granted to soldiers to go beyond the limits of Camp 'till further orders.

The Quarter Master General will have orders respecting the horses of the army.

50. The reason was assigned to explain the activities which were directed against New York City.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, November 22, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword —

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Lieutenant Colonel commandant Sherman
Lieutenant Colonel Hull Major Talbot Brigade Major Van Laer

A Fatigue party of fifty men properly officered from the Massachusetts and Connecticut lines with four days provision to parade tomorrow morning at Guard mounting at the Quarter master General's and take his orders. This party will join their respective corps at West point.

A Sub Serjeant and Twenty rank and file from the aforementioned lines to parade at the same time at the Forage master General's and wait his orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Wednesday, November 23, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword —.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Glover Colonel Bailey Lieutenant Colonel Mellen Major Winslow Brigade Major Smith

The Army will march tomorrow at eleven o'clock; the General will beat at ten; the Assemblé at half past ten and the March at precisely eleven. The Quarter Master General will furnish the order of March and Route. The Troops will have two days provision cooked.

After the late rainy weather it will be expedient to Inspect the State of the Arms and Ammunition and supply Deficiencies.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Friday, November 24, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Paterson Colonel Greaton Lieutenant Colonel Basset Major Knapp Brigade Major Converse

The March of the Army is postponed 'till further orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Saturday, November 25, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

For the Day Tomorrow Brigadier General Wayne Colonel Nixon Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield Major Hamilton Brigade Major Sewall

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Totowa, Sunday, November 26, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Watchword—.

For the day Tomorrow Brigadier General Huntington Colonel Chambers Lieutenant Colonel Newall Major T. L. Moore Brigade Major Ashley.

The Army will march tomorrow morning. The General will beat at nine. The Assemblé at half past nine and the march will commence precisely at ten. The Quarter Master General will furnish the route and order of march.

The Troops are to draw and carry three days bread or flour as there are not Waggon for the purpose.

The light corps is dissolved. The several companies will return to their respective regiments.

The General presents his thanks to the Marquis de la Fayette and to the officers and men under his command for the excellent order and soldierly disposition which have been conspicuous in the corps. He regrets that opportunities did not offer to avail himself of that Zeal and Ardor which in this Corps and in the Army at large afforded the strongest assurance of Success. Nor can he forbear remarking that this Campaign as well as the former has exhibited proofs of the Patience and Patriotism of the Troops in cheerfully supporting those wants and distresses which the peculiar situation of our country has at different times rendered inevitable.

The Light Companies of the New Hampshire, Rhode Island and New York regiments sending off their baggage with that of the Massachusetts and Connecticut companies will march themselves by a route which will be given them by the Marquis de la Fayette.

The Light companies of the Jersey line will take charge of the boats at Doddes,⁹² and receive orders at Head Quarters.

Major Parr's corps of rifle men will move with the Pennsylvania division, but will remain a separate corps and will be attentive to keeping their Rifles in good order.

92. Dobbs Ferry.

AFTER ORDERS

The Van Guard will parade on the Left of the 4th Massachusett's Brigade at nine o'clock tomorrow morning precisely.

The Rear Guard to be formed on the Grand Parade at ten.

Brigadier General Huntington with Lieutenant Colonel Newall to command the former and Colonel Nixon with Lieutenant Colonel Littlefield the latter.

GENERAL ORDERS

Morristown, Wednesday, November 29, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The General has the pleasure to inform the Army that Major Tallmadge with a party of sixty dismounted dragoons of the 2d. regiment surprized Fort St. George on Long Island and captured a Colonel, Captain, Lieutenant, Surgeon and Fifty men in it. That he destroyed the works, burnt a Vessel laden with Stores in the harbour, and the King's Magazine of Forage at Coram containing upwards of three hundred tons of Hay and returned without the loss of a man, having only one wounded. Of the Enemy seven were left dead and mortally wounded at the Fort.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, December 8, 1780.

A return to be made to the Adjutant General by the 12th. Instant of the Noncommissioned Officers and Privates in the Connecticut line inlisted to serve during the War specifying their names and the towns or districts to which they belong. A like Return to be made by the same time of all men belonging to the State of Connecticut who are serving in any of the Additional regiments (Colonel Hazen's excepted) in the Artillery, Cavalry, Sappers and Miners, or Artificers. It is expected that these returns will be made with the greatest accuracy and that none will be included but those who are inlisted for the War as the true deficiency of the State Quota will depend upon them.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to accept and Approve the following report of a court of Enquiry held at West Point the 19th. day of November last, "To examine into the Conduct of Major David S. Franks in his connexion with the late Major General Arnold during his command at West Point and Relative to his Desertion to the Enemy."

Colonel H. Jackson, President; Lieutenant Colonel Dearborn, Major Reid and Captains Cox and Walker, Members.

The court report their opinion:

"That every part of Major David S. Franks's conduct was not only unexceptionable but reflects the highest Honor on him as an officer, distinguishes him as a Zealous Friend to the Independence of America and justly entitles him to the Attention and Confidence of his Countrymen."

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, December 11, 1780.

A Captain, two Subs, three Serjeants, three corporals and Fifty oarsmen from the Connecticut Line are to be furnished with Boats and reinforce the water Guard. This detachment to be from the Light Infantry companies. The Captain will apply without delay to Head Quarters for Instructions.

The General having observed several boats adrift in the river and apprehending many may be lost, directs the

Quarter master General to consult with Major General Heath and settle the number necessary for the use of the Garrison of West Point and that the remainder be removed and properly laid up at Murderers Creek; those that are scattered on the river are to be collected and secured in the same manner.

A return of blankets, hats, shirts, coats, waistcoats, breeches or overalls, stockings and shoes, Good, Bad and Wanting in the regiments of Infantry, Artillery, and Sappers and Miners to be made to the Adjutant General on Saturday next; none are to be included but men inlisted for the war and those who have three months to serve from this time. It is expected that the commanding officers of regiments will see that the above Returns are made with accuracy and that any clothing lately received immediately from State agents or clothiers is taken into the account, as all such is as much a continental supply as that drawn from the Clothier General. The commanding officers of lines are desired to direct their state clothiers to make at the same time returns of what they have upon hand.

At a Division General court martial held in the Connecticut line by order of Brigadier General Huntington: Lieutenant Colonel Gray, president: Lieutenant Wales⁸⁹ of the 4th. Connecticut regiment was tried on the following charges:

1st. For being Absent from Camp from the 18 of September, 1779, 'till the 20 of May, 80 without Liberty.

2d. For being Absent from July the 3d. 'till the 14th. of October, following after having obtained Liberty for five days only, promising at the same time upon his Word and Honor to return within the limited time.

The Court considering the difficulty of procuring clothing at that time and also that none was provided by the State

89. Lieut. Ebenezer Wales. He was transferred to the First Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and served to November, 1783.

together with the evidences and reasons of Lieutenant Wales's absence, are of opinion that he was not unnecessarily absent and do therefore acquit him of both charges.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court Lieutenant Wales is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, December 14, 1780.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions:

In Congress, November 28, 1780.

Some doubts having arisen in the minds of the general officers whether the resolution of the 21st of October last, granting half pay for life to the officers who shall remain in service to the end of the war was meant to extend to them:

Resolved, That the said half pay for life be extended to all majorgenerals and brigadiers general who shall continue in service to the end of the war and that the resolution of the 21 October last was so meant and intended.

In Congress, November 29, 1780.

Resolved, That the act of Congress of the 8th of January last, providing for the payment of officers' horses killed in action, be extended to such officers entitled to keep them, who shall have their horses wounded and disabled in action; provided the horses so wounded and disabled be delivered to the department of the quartermaster general.

In Congress, December 6, 1780.

The Committee to whom was referred the letter of 28 November, from General Washington, brought in a report; Whereupon, Congress came to the following resolution:

While Congress are sensible of the patriotism, courage, and perseverance of the officers and privates of their regular forces as well as of the militia throughout these United States, and of the military conduct of the principal commanders in both it gives them pleasure to be so frequently called upon to confer marks of distinction and applause for enterprises which do honor to the profession of arms, and claim a high rank among military achievements: in this light they view the enterprize against fort St. George, on Long Island, planned and conducted with wisdom and great gallantry by Major Talmadge, of the light dragoons, and executed with intrepidity and complete success by the officers and soldiers of his detachment.

Ordered, therefore, That Major Talmadge's report to the Commander in Chief be published with the preceding minute, as a tribute to distinguished merit and in testimony of the sense Congress entertain of this brilliant service.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, December 15, 1780.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions:

In Congress, December 4, 1780.

Resolved, That no officer of the line of the army of the United States, without express authority from Congress for that purpose, make any contract or bargain, or give any orders, for the purchase of articles for the use of the troops in the departments of the cloathier general, quartermaster general, or commissary general of purchases, except in cases of necessity for provisions and forage

for detachments or parties in places where the same cannot be drawn from the public stores or magazines.

Resolved, That Mr. Simeon de Witt be appointed geographer to the army in the room of Robert Erskine, deceased.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, December 16, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Major General Parsons is appointed to the command of the Connecticut division.

Captain Joseph Walker²¹ of the 9th. Connecticut Regiment and Lieutenant Oliver Lawrence²² of Colonel Lamb's regiment of Artillery are appointed his Aids.

21. Of Webb's Additional Continental regiment. He was major and aide to Major General Parsons to July, 1782; transferred to the Third Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; served to June, 1783.

22. Of the Second Continental Artillery. He was aide to Parsons to July, 1782, and resigned in September, 1782.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, December 18, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Duty Returns by Brigades to be transmitted to the Orderly Office, next Wednesday, by twelve o'clock. The Inspectors of Divisions and Brigades will be very particular in digesting the places

where and kind of duties their Troops are upon also the number at each place. They will likewise at the same time transmit abstracts of the number fit for action.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, December 19, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A critical and accurate inspection of the arms ammunition and accoutrements to be made as soon as possible and returns to be sent to the Assistant Inspector General agreeably to the Form herewith delivered, by the 27th. instant. These Returns to be made out regimentally and signed by the commanding officers of regiments which are to be digested regimentally into division returns and signed by the Division Inspectors. The Returns of the brigades in seperate stations to be signed by their respective brigade inspectors. It is to be distinctly specified where and how any arms &ca. may have been lost, at the bottom of the returns.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, December 20, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The court of enquiry whereof Colonel Hazen is

President will assemble next wednesday the 27th. instant at West point at the request of Lieutenant Colonel Antill to examine into his conduct while with General Sullivan in his expedition to Staten Island.

Application to be made immediately by those lines and regiments which have made their cloathing returns for their first dividend of cloathing.

In Congress, September 25, 1780.

Plan for conducting the Inspector's department.

Whereas the institution of this department hath been found of great utility to the armies of these United States. ...⁴⁹

49. The omission is a verbatim copy of the lengthy resolve of Congress of Sept. 25, 1780, which may be seen in the *Journals of the Continental Congress* for that date.

In Congress, December 4, 1780.

Resolved, That, instead of the additional pay allowed to officers of the inspector's department, by the resolution of Congress of the 25 September last, the following sums be allowed, viz.

To the adjutant general as assistant inspector, thirty five dollars per month:

To an assistant inspector in a separate army, thirty dollars per month:

To a lieutenant colonel, as inspector of a division, twenty five dollars per month:

To a major, as inspector of a brigade, twenty five dollars per month. It may happen in some instances that a captain may be Major of brigade, he will be entitled to the additional Pay as if a Major.

GENERAL ORDERS

Saturday, December 23, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Regimental Surgeons are requested to transmit weekly Returns of the sick, to the Orderly Office, every Saturday directed to the Chief Physician and Surgeon of the army, only specifying the

number and the particular diseases under which they labor; all who have been sent to the hospitals and all who have died.

The commanding officers of divisions, brigades or separate Posts, are requested to see the above order strictly complied with.

Those of the Pennsylvania and Jersey troops will deliver theirs to Doctor Latimer¹⁹ at Morristown.

GENERAL ORDERS

Sunday, December 24, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a General court martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson was President, held at Westpoint the 16th. instant, Mr. Benjamin Stevens, issuing Commissary at Fishkill, was tried for “Refusing to deliver provisions to Arch. Leake, waggoner of the Hospital on the order of the Steward of the Hospital at Fishkill on which he usually issued, because he, the said Leake, would not receipt in figures for said provision, and also for taking receipts in figures for provisions issued on orders for an indefinite quantity for the said Hospital.”

19. Dr. Henry Latimer. He was Hospital Physician and Surgeon of the Continental Army and served to the close of the war.

The court having considered the nature of the charge against Mr. Stevens are of opinion that he is not censurable and do therefore Acquit him.

The Commander in Chief approves the acquittal, but cannot however help remarking that if the order drawn upon Mr. Stevens by Mr. White²¹ the Steward of the Hospital was illegal he should have refused to answer it upon that account and not have insisted upon sending the hospital waggoner back for an order from Mr. Hunt the Commissary except he would receipt in figures.

As this Mode, if admitted in any cases whatever, opens a door to Fraud, the General takes this occasion of directing the Commissary General of issues to order his deputies to make it an invariable rule to give and take all Receipts with the specific quantities expressed at large, in words and not figures.

GENERAL ORDERS

Thursday, December 28, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a General court martial whereof Lieutenant Colonel Forrest was President, held by order of the Honorable the Board of War in

21. Aaron(?) White.

Philadelphia the 6th. of December 1780: Mr. Thomas Dewees, Barrack master, was tried on the following charges vizt. 1st. "Neglect of duty" 2d. "For a partial distribution of wood." 3d. "For undertaking an office he was not qualified to hold having never taken the Oath of Allegiance to the United States or any particular State." 4th. "For not taking the Oath of Office before he acted according to a resolution of Congress of the 15th. of July last." 5th. "For selling public wood to the prejudice of the service."

The Court, after having maturely considered the Evidence both for and against the Prisoner, do acquit him of the first second and third Charges but find him Guilty of the two last charges and considering the extensive and pernicious nature of the last charge do sentence him under the Resolution of Congress of the 22d. of August 1780 passed particularly for the purpose of punishing delinquents in the Quarter masters, Commissary's and Cloathier's departments, to be Cashiered and rendered incapable of holding any future office in the Service of the United States of America and that his crime of selling public Wood and his Sentence be published three times in each of the

English and German Newspapers in order to prevent in future the commission of Such crimes for Fear of this or the like Infamy attending them.

The Commander in Chief Approves the Sentence and Orders it to take place.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, December 29, 1780.

Parole— Countersigns—.

The Quarter Master General will make an immediate and exact return of all the public Boats on this part of the river, describing the kind and size and how they are employed. He will arrange them under four heads vizt. Good, Bad, Indifferent, and Irreparable.

He will also as soon as possible make a similar return of all the public Boats at Albany and its dependencies.

GENERAL ORDERS

Sunday, December 31, 1780.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The new arrangement of the Army pursuant to the Resolves of Congress of the 3d. and 21st. of October and published in General Orders of the 1st. of November following is to take place tomorrow. The General orders a jill of Rum to be delivered to each of the soldiers who remain in service upon the occasion.

Returns to be made to the Adjutant General immediately of the Ranks which the regiments now bear in their respective lines. The Officers commanding each with the names and dates of

Commissions or appointments of them and the other Field Officers, Captains, Subs and Staff; similar returns to be made by the regiments of Artillery.

If from particular circumstances the arrangement of any State line or regiment of artillery is yet incomplete the General desires that not a moment may be lost in finishing it that he may be enabled to make the Returns required by Congress.

The General has little doubt that in the formation of the new regiments of Infantry proper care has been taken to bring those of each line as near as possible to a level. If this has not been attended to He now directs it.

He persuades himself that it is totally unnecessary to signify that no retiring officer is at liberty to take with him his waiter, being a soldier or inlisted at the public expence, but lest through inadvertency such a thing should be attempted it is hereby strictly forbidden.

The General expects that the order of the 16th. of November last respecting the Arms, Accoutrements &ca. that were in the hands of the Levies and other disbanded soldiers has been pointedly attended to should it prove otherwise the officers who commanded the former corps though they now retire will not be exonerated but remain equally liable and most assuredly will be called upon to settle these accounts.

A Field Officer from the Pennsylvania Line to relieve Colonel Spencer in the superintendency of the Hospitals in New Jersey. He will receive the standing instructions from Colonel Spencer.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, January 1, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

For the present the Massachusetts regiments are to be formed into three Brigades under file Command of Major General Howe. The Regiments of the 1st. 4th. 7th. and 10th. Colonels are to compose the first or Glovers Brigade. The Regiments of the 2d. 5th. and 8th. Colonels make the second or Patersons brigade and the 3d. 6th. and 9th. will be the 3d. brigade.

The Connecticut Line and those of New Hampshire and Rhode Island are also to form three brigades under the command of Major General Parsons vizt. The 1st. 3d. and 5th. Regiments of Connecticut will form the first brigade of that State to be commanded by General Huntingdon and the 2d. and 4th the second brigade, of the State, the regiments of New Hampshire and Rhode Island are to form the other brigade.

Hazen's regiment will be considered as a reserve and be unannexed to any brigade at this time.

Major General Heath will command the whole of the above troops.

The non commissioned officers and Matrosses of the Independent company of Artillery lately commanded by Captain Coren are to be added to and incorporated with the company commanded by Captain Porter⁷³ now in the second regiment of artillery and the noncommissioned officers and matrosses of the company commanded by Captain Freeman⁷⁴ are to be added to and incorporated with Captain Symond's⁷⁵ company in said regiment.

Captain Porters and Symonds companies are to be levelled with the men of the two Companies which are incorporated with them and being raised by Pennsylvania are to be added to Colonel Procter's

73. Capt. Andrew Porter.

74. Capt.-Lieut. Constant Freeman, of the Third Continental Artillery. He served to June, 1783.

75. Capt. Jonas Symonds (Simonds), of the Fourth Continental Artillery. He retired in January 1783.

regiment of Artillery.

The officers of the two Companies commanded by Captains Porter and Symonds are to be arranged in Colonel Procter's regiment agreeable to the ranks they now hold.

At a Court of enquiry ordered by Major General Heath the 27th. of December 1780 in consequence of an order of His Excellency General Washington the 20th. of the same month "To investigate the conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Antill on the day of his Captivity in August 1777 and to report concerning the same." Colonel Putnam, President. Members: Lieutenant Colonel commandant Sprout, Lieutenant Colonel Badlam, Lieutenant Colonel commdt Brooks, Major J. Porter.

The Court after due consideration of the circumstances Report. "That Lieutenant Colonel Antill appears to have been captured while in the execution of his duty and that he is not Censurable in any part of his conduct but is deserving the Approbation of every good officer."

The Commander in Chief is pleased to accept and Approve the Report.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, January 2, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

At a General Court Martial held by order of the Honorable the Board of war at Philadelphia the 13th. of November last,

Colonel Febiger President: Lieutenant Abraham Wood⁷⁶ of the Invalid regiment was tried for “His conduct unbecoming an officer and a Gentleman by keeping a tippling house and shuffle board and entertaining Soldiers”.

The Court after maturely considering the Charges exhibited, against Lieutenant Wood and the Evidences are of opinion that Lieutenant Wood has been guilty of Conduct unbecoming the Character of an Officer and Gentleman being a breach of part of the 21st. Article 14th. Section of the Articles of war and do sentence him to be discharged from the service of the United States and his Commission to be revoked and cancelled accordingly.

The Commander in Chief Approves the sentence and orders it carried into execution.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, January 5, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Captain-Lieutenant Hubbell⁴ of the 2d. regiment of artillery is appointed Paymaster to the same from the 1st. Instant vice Captain-Lieutenant Guion⁵ who declines that appointment.

76. Of the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He had been wounded and taken prisoner at Brandywine in September, 1777, and exchanged and transferred to the Invalid Regiment in 1778.

4. Capt.-Lieut. William Hubbell, of the Second Continental Artillery.

5. Capt.-Lieut. Isaac Guion, of the Second Continental Artillery. He retired in June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, January 6, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The General has the pleasure of communicating to the Army the following interesting and agreeable pieces of Intelligence which have been received from Major General Greene. On the 20th. of November Brigadier General Sumpter was attacked by Colonel Tarleton the famous British Partizan at Black Storks on Tyger river in South Carolina. Tarleton made three vigorous charges in the two first he was repulsed by the troops posted in General Sumpter's front, in the third he obliged the advanced troops to fall back upon the main body by whom he was so warmly received that he retreated with precipitation leaving ninety two dead and one hundred wounded upon the field. Colonel Tarleton had in the action three hundred Cavalry, one hundred and thirty of the 63d regiment and one hundred of the 71st.

The smallness of our Loss compared with that of the enemy is most remarkable we having but three men killed and four wounded among the latter is the brave General Sumpter himself, in the shoulder.

The beginning of December Lieutenant Colonel Washington of the 3d. regiment of light dragoons with one hundred horse came up with Colonel Rugely, Major Cook and one hundred and twelve tory officers and soldiers who had taken post in a logged barn strongly secur'd by Abbatis on Rugely's farm twelve Miles from Campden. Colonel Washington, unable to force them for want of artillery made use of the following stratagem. He mounted a pine Log on a carriage and holding out the appearance of all Attack with field Pieces he sent in a flag and demanded an immediate surrender which was complied with. By these and several smaller successes the Enemy are kept pretty closely confined to their Posts at Campden, Weemsborough and Ninety six, at each of which they are pretty strongly fortified.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, January 8, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Rank of the Massachusetts regiments under the new establishment of the army having been determined as follows:

No. of the Regiment Commanded by

1st. regiment Colonel Vose

2d Lieutenant Colonel Sprout

3d Colonel Greaton

4th Colonel Shepard

5th Colonel Putnam

6th Lieutenant Colonel Smith

7th Lieutenant Colonel Brooks

8th Colonel M Jackson.

9 Colonel H Jackson

10th Colonel Tupper.

By a Committee chosen by the respective commanding Officers of them or their Representatives; the Commander in Chief for that reason approves the determination of the Committee and directs it to take place accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, January 9, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

All the Tents of the Army are to be delivered to the Quarter Master General who will have them washed cleaned and repair'd. Such as are irreparable or as many of them as will answer the purpose he is to reserve to make cases for the Camp Kettles that they may not grease and injure the soldiers cloaths as they will next Campaign be obliged to carry their own Kettles.

Commanding Officers of Corps will be particularly careful in seeing that the Tents are all given in to the Quarter master General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, January 12, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The term for renewal of Tickets in the 4th. Class of the United States Lottery is extended to eight weeks instead of Six and which will expire the 8th. of February.

The Adventurers in the 3d. Class who purchased tickets at the Pay office and chuse to renew in the 4th. are requested to consign the exchange to the regimental Paymasters who will give receipts for the amount as money advanced on account.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, January 16, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

Lieutenant James Giles⁶⁰ of the 2d. regiment of Artillery is appointed Adjutant to the same from the 1st. Instant vice Lieutenant Ashton⁶¹ transferred to the 4th.

In Congress, January 4, 1781.

A Report from the Board of War was read; Whereupon, Ordered, That the Board of War draw no warrants on the paymaster general, except for the invalid regiment, and the regiment of artificers in the department of the commissary general of military stores, until the farther order of Congress.

60. Of the Second Continental Artillery. He resigned in August, 1782.

61. Lieut. Joseph Ashton, of the Fourth Continental Artillery. He was appointed captain-lieutenant in April, 1781, and served to the close of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, January 21, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a Brigade General court martial held by order of Lieutenant Colonel commandant Brooks, commanding the 3d Massachusett's brigade the 22d. of december last, Major Wiley President.

Charles Watts soldier in the 10th Massachusetts regiment was tried for “Absenting himself from his regiment without leave and attempting to go to the enemy.”

The Court after maturely considering the Evidence find the Prisoner Guilty of a breach of Article 1st. Section 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War and sentence him to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

The Commander in Chief confirms the Sentence; but is pleased on the intercession of the officers of the regiment to which the Prisoner belongs, in his behalf to Pardon him and directs his release from Confinement.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, January 24, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a General court martial held at West Point by order of Major General Heath the 12th. instant, whereof Colonel Greaton was President, Captain Parker¹³ of the 7th. Massachusetts regiment was tried for “Repeatedly overstaying the limits of Furloughs and for unofficer and ungentleman like conduct in exceeding the limits of leave of absence which he obtained last May, by pledging his honor for a punctual return on the day the limits expired.”

The Court on consideration are of opinion that Captain Parker is Guilty of the Charges against him in breach of the 21St. Article 14th. Section of the Rules and Articles of War and sentence that he be discharged the Service.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence and orders it to take place.

13. Capt. Jonas Parker.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, January 30, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The General returns his thanks to Major General Howe for the judicious measures he pursued and to the officers and men under his command for the good conduct and alacrity with which they

executed his orders for suppressing the late Mutiny in a part of the New Jersey line. It gave him inexpressible pain to have been obliged to employ their arms upon such an occasion and convinced that they themselves felt all the Reluctance which former Affection to fellow Soldiers could inspire. He considers the patience with which they endured the fatigues of the march through rough and mountainous roads rendered almost impassable by the depth of the Snow and the cheerfulness with which they performed every other part of their duty as the strongest proof of their Fidelity, attachment to the service, sense of subordination and abhorrence of the principles which actuated the Mutineers in so daring and atrocious a departure from what they owed to their Country, to their Officers to their Oaths and to themselves.

The General is deeply sensible of the sufferings of the army. He leaves no expedient unessayed to relieve them, and he is persuaded Congress and the several States are doing every thing in their power for the same purpose. But while we look to the public for the fullfilment of its engagements we should do it with proper allowance for the embarrassments of public affairs. We began a Contest for Liberty and Independence ill provided with the means for war, relying on our own Patriotism to supply the deficiency. We expected to encounter many wants and distresses and We should neither shrink from them when they happen nor fly in the face of Law and Government to procure redress. There is no doubt the public will in the event do ample justice to men fighting and suffering in its defence. But it is our duty to bear present Evils with Fortitude looking forward to the period when our Country will have it more in its power to reward our services.

History is full of Examples of armies suffering with patience extremities of distress which exceed those we have suffered, and this in the cause of ambition and conquest not in that of the rights of humanity of their country, of their families of themselves; shall we who aspire to the distinction of a patriot army, who are contending for every thing precious in society against every thing hateful and degrading in slavery, shall We who call ourselves citizens discover less Constancy and Military virtue than the mercenary instruments of ambition? Those who in the present instance have stained the honor of the American soldiery and sullied the reputation of patient Virtue for which they have been so long eminent can only atone for their pusillanimous defection by a life devoted to a Zealous

and exemplary discharge of their duty. Persuaded that the greater part were influenced by the pernicious advice of a few who probably have been paid by the enemy to betray their Associates; The General is happy in the lenity shewn in the execution of only two of the most guilty after compelling the whole to an unconditional surrender, and he flatters himself no similar instance will hereafter disgrace our military History. It can only bring ruin on those who are mad enough to make the attempt; for lenity on any future occasion would be criminal and inadmissible.

The General at the same time presents his thanks to Major General Parsons for the prudent and Military dispositions he made and to Lieutenant Colonel Hull and the officers and Men under his command for the good conduct address and Courage with which they executed the enterprize against a Corps of the enemy in West Chester, having destroyed their Barracks and a large quantity of Forage, burnt a bridge across Haerlem,

under the protection of one of their redoubts, brought off fifty two prisoners and a number of Horses and Cattle with inconsiderable Loss except in the death of Ensign Thompson⁵⁰ of the 6th. Massachusett's regiment an active and enterprizing officer.

The General also thanks Colonel Hazen and his party for their Conduct and bravery in covering Lieutenant Colonel Hull's retreat and repelling the Enemy and Colonels Scammell and Sherman and in general all the Officers and men of General Parsons's command for their good Conduct in supporting the advanced Corps.⁵¹

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, February 1, 1781.

Parole—Countersigns—

Light Infantry companies are to be immediately formed—one from each regiment, and to consist of: One Captain, Two Subalterns, Four Serjeants, One Drum, One Fife and for the present, Twenty five rank and file.

The honor of every regiment is so much interested in the appearance and behavior of the Light troops which are a representation of the whole Army that the General exhorts and expects the commanding officers of them will exert themselves to make a judicious choice for the

50. Ensign Jonathan Thompson.

51. Washington had been informed by Heath of the success of the raid against Morrisania and wrote to him (January 29): “I have just been favored with Yours of yesterday together with the Enclosures, for which I am much obliged to you, and shall take farther Notice of the affair in the Orders of tomorrow.” This letter is in the Massachusetts Historical Society.

formation of their respective companies. The Assistant Inspector General is to review each company and reject every man who in his opinion is not likely to answer the above ends. The General would prefer well made men from five feet six to five feet ten inches stature.

Every regiment that has at this time more than two hundred and twenty five rank and file for duty including those on command and on furlough is to give a full ninth of its number instead of twenty five for the Infantry company, and as the other regiments increase in strength and exceed this number they are to do the like invariably. When these Companies are formed they are to relieve the Troops on the Lines and do duty there by rotation in such manner as Major General Heath shall direct.

The General strictly prohibits recruiting men belonging to one State into the Regiments assigned as the Quota of another State.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, February 3, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Returns of all the men who have not had the small pox to be given in to the Orderly Office by Brigades as soon as possible.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to make the following Election:

In Congress, January 17, 1781.

Congress proceeded to the election of a director of the military hospital; and the ballots being taken, Dr. John Cochran was elected.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, February 5, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The commanding officers of corps will furnish the recruiting officers of their respective regiments now out, or who may be sent out, with the following instructions signed by themselves:

Sir: You are to repair as soon as possible to the State of—for the purpose of inlisting and forwarding recruits, as mention'd in the resolution of Congress of the 3d. of October last.

You will on your arrival apply to the executive authority of the State for directions relative to the mode of Subsisting yourself and your parties, the conditions of inlistments and the rendezvous of the recruits.

You are to inlist none but such persons as the Law permits Subjects or inhabitants of the State of not under the age of sixteen nor above that of fifty of sufficient stature and ability of body to

discharge all the duties of a private soldier, free from lameness, or other infirmity which may render him incapable thereof.

You are not to inlist any deserters from the Enemy nor any person disaffected, or suspicious character with respect to the government of these States. All the charge and expence of a recruit who does not pass muster for either of these defects or disqualifications shall be defrayed by the officer who engaged him.

You will have every recruit attested before a peace officer, General Officer, Judge Advocate or one of his deputies, agreeable to

the third Section of the Articles of War; and you will require him to sign a paper which shall express the term and conditions of Service for which he is engaged and the bounty he has receiv'd fairly written at length without Erasure or Interlineation so as to prevent all ambiguity, doubts or dispute, and after the Recruit is so attested and engaged you are on no account to exchange or discharge him.

You will carefully enter your Recruits on a size roll specifying in seperate columns the Name, Age, size, trade or profession, place of nativity, place of residence, time of inlistment, draft, term of Service, bounty in money clothing &ca.

And you will report Monthly to the commanding officer of your regiment the number of men you have receiv'd or inlisted and transmit size rolls of the draughts or recruits whom you shall from time to time send on to the regiment.

To Given at this day of 178.

The Cloathiers of the New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Jersey Lines, the Artillery and Hazen's Regiment will call upon the Cloathier General for their respective proportions of Blankets.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, February 9, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions vizt.

In Congress, January 12, 1781.

Congress took into consideration the report of the Board of War of December 8; Whereupon,

Resolved, That from and after the 1st day of August last, the pay and appointments of the officers in the department of Commissary general of military stores be as follows, the sums hereafter mentioned to be paid in bills of the new emissions and all moneys received in bills of the old emissions, since the said 1st day of August, to be accounted for according to the table of depreciation as fixed by the Board of Treasury, viz.:

commissary general of military stores, 100 dollars per month, 3 rations per day; deputy commissary general 80 ditto 2 ditto; commissaries, 70 ditto 2 ditto; deputy commissaries, 55 ditto 2 ditto; conductors 45 ditto 1 ditto; clerks 40 ditto 1 ditto.

No rations in addition to the number above mentioned, are to be allowed for servants:

That the officers and men of the regiment of artillery artificers, have the same pay from and after the said 1st day of August, in bills of the new emissions...by the regulations of the department, made by Congress, on the 11th day of February, 1778, and that they draw the number of rations then directed:

That the appointments of the field commissary of military stores, and his subordinate officers, be as follows, from and after the 1st day of August last, the pay to be received in bills of the new emissions:

field Commissary, 90 dollars per month, 2 rations per day, servants included; deputy field Commissary, 70 ditto 2 ditto ditto; conductor, 45 ditto 1 ditto ditto; clerk 40 ditto 1 ditto ditto:

That the commanding officer of artillery, for his extra services in the affairs of the ordnance department, receive 40 dollars per month, in addition to his pay as an officer in the line, in bills of the new emissions from and after the first day of August last:

That the surveyor of ordnance for defraying his expences in the exercise of his office, be allowed from and after the first day of August last, 40 dollars per month in bills of the new emissions, besides his appointments as a field officer of artillery.

Resolved, That the additional pay of aids-de-camp, brigade-majors, adjutants, and regimental quartermasters, agreeably to the act of 27 of May, 1778, be considered as fixed in specie and that the same, from and after the 18 day of August last, be drawn in bills of the new emission:

That the pay of a regimental paymaster and clothier, in addition to his pay as an officer in the line, be thirty dollars per month in bills of the new emissions, and that the several states, in making up the depreciation of such officers from the times of their respective appointments, calculate upon the additional pay as being thirty dollars per month in specie.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, February 10, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions

In Congress, January 17, 1781.

Congress proceeded to the election of a paymaster general of the army; and the ballots being taken,

Mr. John Pierce was elected.

Whereas, by the plan for conducting the hospital department, passed in Congress the 30th day of September last, no proper establishment is provided for the officers of the medical staff, after their dismissal from public service, which considering the custom of other nations and the late provision made for the officers of the army, after the conclusion of the war, they appear to have a just claim to; for remedy whereof, and also for amending several parts of the abovementioned plan.

Resolved, That all officers in the hospital department, and medical staff, hereafter mentioned, who shall continue in service to the end of the war, or be reduced before that time as supernumeraries, shall be entitled to, and receive during life, in lieu of half-pay, the following allowance, viz.

The director of the hospital equal to the half-pay of a lieutenant colonel:

Chief physician, and surgeons of the army and hospitals, and hospital physicians and surgeons, purveyor, apothecary, and regimental surgeons, each equal to the half-pay of a captain.

That there be allowed to the purveyor, apothecary, and assistant purveyors, each, forage for one horse:

That the power given in the before mentioned plan to the chief physician and surgeon of the army, to remove regimental surgeons

and mates in case of absence without leave, shall in future extend no further than the power of suspension, until such delinquent shall be reported to a proper officer for bringing him to trial by a court martial:

That the apothecary may deliver medicines, instruments and dressings, and other articles of his department, to the hospitals, on orders in writing from a physician and surgeon having the care of any particular hospital, where the director or one of the chief physicians and surgeons shall not be present to give the same:

That the power given to the director and chief hospital physicians, with respect to the appointment of matrons, nurses, and other persons necessary for the regular management of the hospitals, be extended to each of the physicians and surgeons of the hospitals, in the absence of the director and chief physicians and surgeons.

In Congress, January 26, 1781.

Resolved, That the allowance of five dollars per month, to the officers of the army, for each retained nation granted by an act of Congress of the 12 day of August last, shall commence on the first day of August, 1780:

That the additional pay of aids-de-camp, brigade-majors adjutants, and regimental quartermasters, as mentioned in the act of Congress of the 12th. of this instant be drawn in bills of the new emission, from and after the first day of August last, instead of the 18 day of the same month, as mentioned in the above-resolutions.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, February 11, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Commissary of forage having represented that frequent irregularities are committed by stopping forage in the road which prevents an equal distribution and gives a full Supply to the horses of some while those of others are starving; The General in the most positive manner forbids the like liberties in future as totally unmilitary and disorderly. If any conceive their horses neglected and do not obtain a remedy by applying to the Commissary of forage they may then represent the matter to Head Quarters and everything will be done which the scantiness of our magazines will permit.

At a General court Martial of the line held at West Point by order of Major General Heath, January 30th, 1781, Colonel M. Jackson President, Mr. Joseph Bass, clothier for the state of New Hampshire was tried on the following charges vizt.

First, Refusing to deliver a quantity of blankets at the request of the officer commanding and the Paymasters of the New Hampshire line at their encampment (which was sent there by the State for that purpose) and obliging the teams to carry them five miles in front of the brigade, before he would receive them, for the convenience of delivering them at his quarters which obliged the men to transport the blankets back to their Encampment on their backs at a time when their duty was very hard and destitute of flour to the prejudice of the service and principles of humanity.

Secondly, Insulting and abusing (without provocation) his superior officer contrary to the rules and regulations of the army of the United States.

Thirdly With a partial and unequal distribution of cloathing sent from the State of New Hampshire to the Officers of that Line.

The court having considered Mr. Bass's case, are of opinion that there was nothing improper in his conduct relative to the first charge.

They do acquit him of the second: They are of opinion with respect to the third charge that although Mr. Bass delivered cloathing to an Officer which in a subsequent distribution of the clothing sent from the State appears to have been more than some others could receive yet it appears it was done with a view to oblige him as he was about leaving camp and not intentionally that he should have a larger proportion than others; They do not conceive any other part of Mr. Bass's conduct, respecting this charge can be considered partial or improper.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court. Mr. Bass is released from Arrest.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, February 12, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolution:²⁶

Whereas, by the late arrangement of the army, there is a supernumerary officer allowed to each regiment, to reside in the State to which such regiment belongs for the purpose of transacting all necessary business for the regiment; therefore,

Resolved, That the resolution of the 4th of September, 1778, allowing officers three dollars a day for expences on business not incidental to their offices, be and is hereby repealed, from and after the first day of March next.

26. Feb. 1, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, February 14, 1781.

Parole —.Countersigns —.

The General with great satisfaction communicates to the Army the following Intelligence just received of important and brilliant successes lately obtained over the Enemy in South Carolina.

Brigadier General Morgan who commands the light troops of General Greene's army having taken post at the Cowpens near Cherokee ford on broad river with about eight hundred men regulars and militia including a body of light dragoons under Lieutenant Colonel Washington was attacked there on the 17th. of January in the morning by Lieutenant Colonel Tarleton with a body of horse and infantry amounting to about a thousand. The enemy at first charged with great impetuosity and advancing under a severe fire drove in our advanced parties and being more numerous gained the flanks of the principal body and obliged them to retire about fifty paces; there a halt was made and

our troops in turn advancing with a brisk fire threw the enemy into disorder which being observed by Lieutenant Colonel Howard of the Maryland troops he gave orders to the whole to charge bayonets which We executed with such vigor as to complete the route of the enemy and oblige them to a precipitate flight. Lieutenant Colonel Washington about the same time perceiving that the British Cavalry had fallen upon our Riflemen charg'd them with such firmness as immediately drove them into confusion. This was the more honorable from the disparity in numbers Colonel Washington having only eighty horse and the enemy two hundred and eighty. The enemy were pursued more than twenty miles; their Loss consisted in ten commissioned officers and upwards of an hundred rank and file killed and two hundred wounded, twenty nine commissioned officers and five hundred prisoners, two field pieces, two Standards, eight hundred musquets, one travelling forge, thirty five waggons,

upwards of an hundred dragoon horses, and their Music, all which articles fell into the hands of our troops. In their retreat they destroyed the greatest part of their Baggage which was considerable; the Loss on our side consisted only in twelve killed and sixty wounded.

This Victory so decisive and Glorious gained with an inferior force over a select corps of British troops reflects the highest honor on our arms and must have an important influence on the Affairs of the South.

About three weeks before Lieutenant Colonel Washington with his dragoons and some mounted Militia had fallen in with a party of two hundred and fifty Georgia Tories killed and wounded an hundred and fifty and took forty prisoners.⁴¹

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, February 16, 1781.

Parole —.Countersigns —.

The Light companies are immediately to be augmented to fifty rank and file each with an additional serjeant and are to rendezvous the 19th. at Peekskill prepared for a march. They are to be completed in shoes. The former directions concerning the greatest care in the choice of the men are repeated; the Adjutant General will inspect the companies when formed and exchange all the men who have been indifferently chosen.

At a division court martial held in the Connecticut line by order of Major General Parsons the 12th. instant, Colonel Samuel B. Webb President.

Joshua Taylor soldier in the 3d. Connecticut regiment was tried for "Desertion, joining the Enemy and taking up arms in the british service."

41. At Hammond's Store House in South Carolina.

The Court are of opinion that Joshua Taylor was duly inlisted and therefore guilty of the several charges exhibited against him being breaches of Section 6th. Article 1st. of the rules and articles of war and do sentence him to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the court and orders it to be put in execution at such time and place as Major General Heath shall direct.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, February 18, 1781.

Parole —.Countersigns —.

At a General court martial of the line held at Westpoint the 21st. of December 1780 and continued by adjournments 'till the 8 instant, Colonel Greaton President:

Major James R. Reid was tried on the following charges

First “Disobedience of Orders and unmilitary conduct”,

Secondly “Defrauding the United States, or the regiment, or a part of the regiment in which he holds a public office, and embezzling or misapplying public property.”

Thirdly “Unofficer and ungentlemanlike conduct” or behavior.

The Court on consideration of the several charges against Major Reid and the Evidence for and against him are of opinion on the first Charge that Major Reid's conduct in ordering Serjeants to do the duty of officers of Police is contrary to the Regulations for the order and discipline of the troops;

on the third charge they are of opinion that he has treated Colonel Hazen with much disrespect in Several parts of his conduct in breach of article 5th. section 18th of the rules and articles of war and that Major Reid's certificate and Letter to the reverend Mr. Powers is not warranted in gentlemanlike behavior, in consequence of the above opinion the court sentence that he be reprimanded by the Commander in Chief in General Orders; yet they find him not guilty of either of the other Charges and do acquit him thereof.

The General approves the determination of the court:

The appointment of Serjeants to do the duty of officers of police was an unwarrantable departure from the regulations injurious to good order and the service. The inflammatory expressions used by Major Reid against his commanding officer and other instances of disrespect are highly exceptionable, an inferior officer can never be justifiable in attempts to make his commanding officer suspected and odious to his corps.

If there is reason to believe he is guilty of Fraud Injustice or misconduct the regular way of proceeding is by a representation to superior authority, the Certificate and Letter to the Reverend Mr. Powers was a piece of indecent Levity towards a man whose function intitled him to respect.

The General cannot forbear remarking with regret that it is too common for officers on trial to indulge themselves in a vein of invective and abuse as inconsistent with decency as with the respect they owe to themselves and to others. He is sorry that Major Reid has so far forgot himself as to have erred in a more than ordinary degree in this article. The Delicacy of an officer's character should make him as delicate in expressing his resentment as in defending his honor. Major Reid is released from arrest.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to accept and approve the report of a Court of enquiry held by order of Major General Heath the 5th instant "To continue the investigation of the conduct of Colonel Bigelow

on the 31st. of december 1775, in the Attack on the City of Quebec in consequence of aspersions against his Conduct on that day by Colonel Lamb. Colonel Hazen, President; Lieutenant Colonels Antill, Newall and Grosvenor, and Major "Trescot members. The Court report as follows: "The Court after reading and considering the evidence produced in support of the charge, and those in favor of Colonel Bigelow with his own remarks in justification of his conduct are of opinion that Colonel Bigelow's Conduct in the Attack on Quebec the 31st. of December 1775 is not reprehensible but that his behavior was consistent with the Character of an officer."

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, February 20, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The General with pleasure communicates to Major General Parsons and the officers and men under his command the following honorable testimony of the Approbation of Congress passed the 5th. instant:

Ordered That the Letter of Major General Parsons, with the papers inclosed, relative to his successful enterprize against the enemy's post at Morrisania, with so much of the general's letter

as relates thereto, be referred to the Committee of Intelligence; and that the Commander in Chief return the thanks of Congress to Major General Parsons, and the officers and men under his command; and inform him that Congress have directed this publication to be made in testimony of their approbation of his

judicious arrangements, and of the spirit and military conduct displayed by the officers and men employed under him on the occasion.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, March 1, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The General directs that as the Recruits arrive to the several regiments the officers will exert themselves to have them instructed and formed to their duty with all possible diligence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, March 22, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The commander in Chief having returned from Rhode Island and resumed the Command of the Army Approves the orders issued by Major General Heath and thanks him for his great attention to the security of the Posts entrusted to his care.

The Honorable the Congress has been pleased to make the following appointment:

In Congress, January 8, 1781.

Congress proceeded to the election of an adjutant general, and, the ballots being taken, Brigadier General Hand was elected.

He is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

Colonel Scammell late Adjutant General whose resignation had been previously accepted, having been relieved

by Brigadier General Hand in the absence of the General, he cannot suffer him to retire from an office in which he has distinguished himself so meritoriously without expressing an entire approbation of his conduct and requesting him to accept the thanks to which he is justly entitled.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, March 23, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a general Court Martial held by order of the Commander in Chief at Springfield the 1st. instant, Colonel Shepard, President, Mr. John Collins, Deputy Commissary of Military stores, was tried on the following charges vizt.

1st. For defrauding the Public of a quantity of saltpetre and employing a person to receive the same as his property, but to conceal his name as he was a public officer and to sell the Saltpetre for cash or cash articles and he would satisfy him for his trouble.

2d. For breaking from his arrest and deserting from his quarters contrary to orders given him and carrying off one of the public's best saddles complete and endeavouring to make his escape from justice by every possible Method in his power and using his utmost efforts to get a berth on board some Vessel to go to sea.

3d. For feloniously robbing E. Cheevers, Deputy Commissary General, of Military stores of some public papers and caring them off with him to serve his own purposes.

The Court after serious and mature deliberation on the case of Mr. John Collins are unanimous in opinion that he is guilty of the two first charges exhibited against him being breaches of the 1st. Article

of the 6th. and 12th. sections of the Articles of War but that he is not amenable to the Act of Congress of the 22d. of August it not being publish'd at the time the crime was committed, and do adjudge him to forfeit all his pay due to him from the United States; make restitution to the United States for all the damages they may have suffered on this occasion. That he be rendered ever incapable of holding any office under the United States; That he serve on board a Continental Ship of War during the present Contest without permission to put his foot on shore, and that his Name, Crimes and punishment be published in the public prints.

The Commander in Chief confirms the sentence of the Court and orders it carried into execution.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, March 28, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Untill further Orders Colonel Hughes, Deputy Quarter Master General, has permission to pass the Guards and Ferries; also his Assistants and others in his Employ having his written passport.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, March 30, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A Sub, Serjeant, and twenty watermen to be sent immediately to Newburgh to assist Captain Nevins in floating the rafts to and stretching the chain at Westpoint.

Also a subaltern officer to be immediately sent to the same place to relieve the Subaltern now on command there.

A return is to be made of all the oarsmen in the several regiments digested into Brigade returns and sent into the Adjutant General's office by the 4th. of April next.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, April 1, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Returns to be made to the Adjutant General's Office as soon as possible of the number of recruits each line has received up to this day; also a Return of what number of these recruits they were obliged to send back as unfit for service.⁴

4. In the *Washington Papers* under date of Apr. 1, 1781, is a return, signed by Adjutant General Hand, of the recruits who joined the New England lines and the number sent back as unfit for service. It shows that out of 454 recruits 40 were unfit for service.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, April 3, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A detachment of ten Blacksmiths, ten Carpenters and ten wheelwrights from Colonel Baldwin's regiment to repair to the Park of Artillery and take their orders from Brigadier General Knox. If the number of wheelwrights cannot be procured the deficiency is to be made up in Carpenters.

The whole of the Brigade Inspectors are desired to meet the Adjutant General at Westpoint at half after twelve o'clock on Saturday next with the returns of their respective Brigades.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, April 4, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Captain Symonds's²⁰ Company of Artillery having been by the late arrangement of the army annexed to Colonel Procter's Regiment they are to march immediately to Newtown in Bucks county in Pennsylvania and join that regiment.

20. Capt. Jonas Simonds (Symonds), of the Fourth Continental Artillery. He retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, April 12, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

A Fatigue party consisting of one subaltern, one serjeant and twenty five rank and file to march tomorrow to the place where the Block-house is erecting in the Clove. The officer commanding the party will take his orders from Major Murnand and see at his party be equipped for a tour of ten days.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, April 13, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

At a Division General court martial held in the Connecticut line the ninth instant by order of Colonel Durkee whereof Major Prior⁸⁹ was president.

Lieutenant William Addams of the first Connecticut regiment was tried for Absenting himself from his regiment and not joining it agreeable to the requisition of the commanding officer found Guilty and sentenced to be Cashiered.

The Commander in Chief approves the above sentence and directs it to be carried into immediate execution.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, April 15, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

At a General Court Martial held at West Point the 10th instant by order of Major General Heath, Major Graham,⁹⁶ President.

Robert Maples, alias John Walker, charged with “inlisting in Colonel Alden's regiment by the name of John Walker for during the war and deserting therefrom also reinlisting by the name of Robert Maples for three years and taking a bounty of two hundred hard dollars from Coleraine⁹⁷ and deserting again” was tried, found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death two thirds

89. Maj. Abner William Prior, of the Fourth Connecticut Regiment. He resigned in December, 1781.

96. Maj. John Graham, of the First New York Regiment He served to the close of the war.

97. Colonel Irvine(?)

of the Court agreeing.

At a General Court Martial held in General Stark's brigade the 13th. instant by order of Colonel Green; Major Flagg president.

Nathan Gale soldier in Colonel Green's regiment charg'd with "repeated Desertion" was tried, found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death a large majority of the court agreeing.

The Commander in Chief approves the above Sentences and orders the prisoners Robert Maples alias John Walker and Nathan Gale to be executed on Wednesday next.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, April 17, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Guards and Fatigue parties furnished for the Quarter master's, Commissary's and cloathier's department at New Windsor and Newburgh that have been a week or longer on duty to be relieved immediately. No party to continue longer than a Week on that duty without a special order the purpose.

Robert Maples alias John Walker and Nathan Gale ordered to be executed tomorrow are respited untill Friday next.

The regimental cloathiers are immediately to apply to the deputy Cloathier General for cloathing for the men of their respective regiments returned unfit for Service for want of Cloaths.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, April 19, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Commander in Chief considering the scarcity of Hospital stores and the advanced season thinks proper to order a discontinuance of inoculation in the army.

To prevent the small pox spreading amongst the recruits that may hereafter join, the utmost care is to be taken to prevent their mixing with those who have lately had that disorder. He therefore directs that the patients now at the small pox hospital and those who are employed to attend the sick may be prevented from straggling to their corps and all such as do not now belong to the hospital from going to it on any pretence untill the surgeons report that all danger of infection ceases; if notwithstanding these precautions any person should be seized with the small pox he or she is to be immediately removed to the Hospital.

The court of enquiry ordered by Major General Heath the 14th. instant to investigate the conduct of Captain Pope²⁹ during his late command escorting prisoners of war to Easton (whereof Colonel Michael Jackson was president) having minutely enquired into Captain Pope's conduct on that occasion are of opinion it is commendable and that of a good officer.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Court.

29. Capt. Isaac Pope, of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. He was major of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in October, 1782, and retired in June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, April 20, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolve to which due attention is to be paid:

By the United States in Congress assembled, April 13th, 1781

Resolved, That the Commander in Chief transmit to the executives of the several states lists of the names of all the new levies belonging to each State respectively, specifying their times of service and the sums due to them; such lists to be signed by the paymasters of the regiments in which the said new levies have served, countersigned by the commanding officer, and approved of by the brigadier or commanding officer of the brigade or corps; and that it be, and hereby is, recommended to the said states, to cause payment to be made to the said new levies, agreeably to such lists, on account of the United States.

Resolved, That, for the future all applications of persons serving in the army, for settlement of accounts, be made immediately to the auditors of the army:

That all applications of persons serving in the army, for payment of liquidated sums due from the United States, be made immediately to the paymaster, accompanied with the proper warrants:

That all similar applications of other creditors of the United States, be made immediately to the Board of Treasury, to be liquidated and discharged, either in whole or such equal proportion, as the Board of Treasury shall, with the approbation of the United States in Congress assembled, from time to time generally direct.

Resolved, That all applications respecting rank, discharges, losses of horses, cloathing, or other articles, in the service, and for ar

rears of cloathing and other articles, be made in the first instance to the Board of War.

Resolved, That all applications for resignations be made to the Commander in Chief, or to the officer commanding in a seperate department.

The Levies mentioned in the first resolve are those who served the last Campaign.

The lists called for are to be made out as speedily as possible and transmitted to the Adjutant General.

A Corporal and six men to be sent as a Guard to Brigadier General Du Portail's Quarters (south side of murderers creek tomorrow; this guard to be relieved at the same time with the guards at New Windsor and Newburgh.

Mr. William Hutton³² being appointed Provost Marshal to the Army of the United States is to be respected accordingly, and is entitled to the Emoluments of that office from the eleventh day of May 1780 inclusive.

The Brigade Inspectors will themselves bring the Returns of their respective brigades for the present week to the Adjutant General's office on Sunday next.

AFTER ORDERS

Robert Maples alias John Walker, and Nathan Gale ordered to be executed on Wednesday last, respited 'till this day are further respited untill tuesday next.

32. On April 20 Heath wrote to Washington: "This being the day appointed...for the execution of Robert Maples, alias John Walker, and Nathan Gale, directions were given for the necessary preparations...and the troops have been paraded. Mr. Hutton, the Provost-marshal, who had received your Excellency's warrants for the execution...has attended; but has refused to perform the execution himself, and has not provided any other person. The Deputy Adjutant-general would have furnished him with one if to be found....I have sent Mr. Hutton in arrest to your Excellency, to be dealt with for his disobedience." This letter is indorsed by Tilghman: "Criminals respited till Tuesday provost Martial to be tried immediately for disobedience of Orders." Heath's letter is in the *Washington Papers*. Photostats of the warrants for the execution of Maples and Gale are also in the *Washington Papers*. The originals are in the Massachusetts Historical Society.

On April 22 Humphreys wrote to Heath, by order of Washington, that "One of the two Culprits, whose crime shall appear to you the least aggravated, to be finally pardoned and released from his

confinement.” The draft of Humphreys's letter is in the *Washington Papers*. (See Washington's letter to Maj. Gen. William Heath, Apr. 20, 1781, *ante*.)

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, April 22, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

John Williams alias Andrew Forster, soldier in the 6th. Massachusetts' regiment tried the 19th. instant by the general court martial whereof Major Graham is President for “Desertion” was found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death more than two thirds of the court agreeing.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence and orders him to be executed on Tuesday next.

Mr. William Hutton, Provost Marshal of the army, was tried the 21st. instant by the same general court martial for “Refusing to execute the office of Provost Marshal in the execution of John Walker alias Robert Maples agreeable to his Excellency's Warrant to him for that purpose.

The Court are of opinion that the reasons Mr. Hutton offered are sufficient to excuse his refusal.

The Commander in Chief is sorry to be under the necessity of disapproving the Sentence of the Court who seem to have been misled by Mr. Hutton's testimony “That he had only been appointed Provost Marshal the day before and that previous to that time he had acted as a Volunteer”: it is true that Mr. Hutton had not been appointed in orders as principal in the office 'till the time he mentions, but he had for some time past been considered as a deputy, had performed the duties, and drawn pay.

To allow such a precedent as Mr. Hutton contends for to be established might upon future occasion operate seriously should a criminal of consequence require a hasty execution.

In the Civil line a High Sheriff whose office is of a similar nature to that of Provost Marshal in the military is obliged to execute his Warrant himself if he cannot procure a common Executioner.

Mr. Hutton is dismissed from his office.

Agreeable to the orders of the 3d. of September last, the men draughted from the line into the Corps of Sappers and Miners were to draw pay as a seperate corps from the 1st. of August last inclusive; of course they are to be considered as transferred from the Corps to which they originally belonged and struck off their Muster rolls from that period. The officer commanding the Corps of Sappers and Miners will make regular Weekly and Monthly returns of that Corps to the Orderly Office.

A Corporal and three men to be sent to New Windsor as a Guard for the Paymaster General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, April 23, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Major Gibbs having been in the late arrangement of the Army appointed to, and having joined the second Massachusett's Regiment the Commander in Chief takes occasion to express his Approbation of his Conduct while in the command of his Corps of Guards and to return him thanks for his very particular attention to the several Duties incident to that Station.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, April 27, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Congress having been pleased to set apart and appoint Thursday the 3d. of May next for fasting humiliation and prayer, the General enjoins a strict obedience to it in the Army and calls upon the Chaplains thereof to prepare discourses suitable to the occasion.

All duties of Fatigue are to cease on that day.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, April 30, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

John Powel, a Soldier in the New Hampshire line, tried the 27th. instant by the Brigade General Court Martial whereof Major Scott²⁴ was president, charged with “repeated Desertion” was found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing. The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence.

24. Maj. William Scott, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, May 2, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a General Court Martial held at Westpoint the 24th. April and continued by adjournments 'till the 1st. instant. Major Graham president.

Ensign Murdoch McPherson⁴⁴ of Colonel Hazen's regiment, was tried, charged with “Neglect of duty in leaving the guard under his command (having Prisoners in charge) on his way to Easton, at which time a number made their escape.

The Court on consideration are of opinion that Ensign McPherson is guilty of the charge against him in breach of Article 5th. Section 18th. of the Rules and Articles of war and sentence that he be reprimanded in General orders.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence of the Court. He thinks Ensign McPherson's conduct reprehensible in the highest degree; nothing reflects greater dishonor on an officer or can be productive of more fatal consequences than Negligence and Inattention when on duty; Charges which appear to be but too clearly proved against Ensign McPherson.

Ensign McPherson is released from arrest.

Brigadier General Hand will inspect the first Massachusetts and Connecticut Brigades on Monday the 7th. instant the second Massachusetts and Connecticut brigades on Wednesday the 9th. the third Massachusetts and that part of General Stark's brigade not on the lines on Friday the 11th. instant if the Weather permits.

44. Ensign Murdoch (Murdock) McPherson, of the Second Canadian Regiment. He had been promoted to lieutenant, to date from April, 1777; transferred to the Invalid Regiment in 1782; served to September, 1783.

The inspection of the troops on the Point to commence between nine and ten o'clock in the forenoon.

The troops on the East side of the river will be inspected in the afternoon of the days abovementioned and hold themselves in readiness to fall in by regiment, on beating the Long Roll.

As far as circumstances will admit the troops are to be excused Duty on the Day of inspection.

Besides the usual Inspection returns the present State of the Arms Accoutrements and Ammunition of each regiment is to be made out agreeable to a Form herewith Transmitted to Major Porter⁴⁵ deputy Adjutant General.

No Arms or Accoutrements to be issued except for Recruits untill this Inspection is Completed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, May 5, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Honorable the Congress having directed the Board of War to take order on a Letter from the Paymaster General of the 3d. of April

45. Maj John(?) Porter, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment.

last, respecting the extra ration to be drawn in kind by the Officers in the Army.

Agreed, That no charge be made against the officers for such extra ration but that the same be considered as a Gratuity, untill the further order of Congress and that his Excellency the Commander in Chief and the Paymaster General be informed of this opinion of the Board.

The Honorable the Congress having by their Resolve of the 17th. of April last appointed John Moylan Esqr. Clothier General of the Army he is to be respected and obeyed as such.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased by their Resolve of the 26th. of April last to direct that the pay of Captain Lieutenants of Artillery and of Lieutenants and serjeants of Infantry be paid in Bills of the new Emission at the rates fixed for the pay of Officers and non commissioned officers respectively on the 27th. May 1778, any former Resolution of Congress to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

The Commander in Chief directs that all returns for Arms or accoutrements shall specify the regiments they are for, and the particular purposes for which they are then wanted; and that after such returns are signed by the division Inspector agreeable to the Resolution of Congress of the

25th. of September last they be carried to the Orderly Office to be registered and Countersigned by the Adjutant General previous to issues being made thereon.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, May 6, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

John Powel, soldier in the New Hampshire line who was tried by a General Court martial the 27th. of April and sentenced to suffer death which Sentence was approved and published in Orders the 30th. of April, is ordered to be executed on Friday next the 11th. instant.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, May 8, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—

As the badness of the weather prevented the inspection of the first brigades of Massachusett and Connecticut yesterday they will be inspected on thursday; the second brigades of Massachusett and Connecticut on saturday, and the third Massachusett and Stark's brigades on Monday next; the time and manner of inspection to be the same as already pointed out.

Colonel Hazen's regiment to be held in readiness for Inspection on Tuesday 15th. their returns to be the same as directed for the other regiments.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, May 11, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to make the following Appointment:

By the United States in Congress Assembled, March 3d, 1781.

Ordered,

That Dr. James Craik, chief hospital physician and surgeon, be, and he is hereby appointed chief physician and surgeon of the army, in the room of Dr. J. Cochran, elected director of the hospital.

The Companies of Light Infantry with Major General the Marquis de la Fayette are to be completed from their respective regiments so far as the deficiencies are known.

The men formerly belonging to these companies (who were absent when they marched) or others of a similar description to be sent on this service; these men to be marched under the direction of the officers who are going to join the Light Infantry.

The Quarter Master General will apply for such fatigue parties as are necessary to repair the road to Sussex Courthouse.

At a General Court Martial whereof Lieutenant Colonel De Hart was president, held in the Jersey Camp the 2d of May 1781, Simon Kent soldier in the first Jersey regiment was tried for repeated "Desertion found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the Sentence but in consequence of the recommendation of Colonel Dayton is pleased to pardon the Criminal and to direct that he be transferred to one of the Continental Ships of War at Philadelphia.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, May 13, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A Captain a subaltern three serjeants and forty rank and file to proceed to New Windsor, and a captain a sub, two serjeants and thirty rank and file to Kingsferry, tomorrow, the former to repair the roads leading from New Windsor towards Sussex and Ringwood the latter to repair the roads from King's ferry towards Morristown. The officers commanding these parties will receive instructions from the Quarter Master General. The party going to King's ferry will take the necessary tools from West Point the other will receive them at New Windsor or Newburgh.

The above parties to carry their arms and forty rounds of ammunition.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, May 14, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

All the Non commissioned officers and privates of Colonel Baldwin's regiment of Artificers except the sadlers and shoemakers are to be sent to the Park of Artillery and put under the command of Captain Patten.¹⁰ The Sadlers and Shoemakers are to remain at Fishkill 'till further orders under the direction of the deputy Quarter Master General at that Post.

10. Capt.-Lieut. Thomas Patton, of Baldwin's Artillery Artificers. He served to June, 1783.

On May 13 Washington wrote to Major General McDougall, that but one brigadier with the line of the Army “for particular reasons, request you will expedite your return from Philadelphia as much as possible.” This draft is in the *Washington Papers*.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, May 15, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Returns of the number of Recruits that have joined each State line; Hazen's regiment, and the Park of Artillery since the first day of April last (specifying the number of those that were sent back as unfit for service) to be given in to the Adjutant General's office on thursday next without fail.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, May 17, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Enemy having embarked a considerable number of troops lately at New York the General thinks it necessary (though the destination of them is not yet known) to have a detachment of four hundred men immediately formed and held in readiness to march at an hour's warning.

This Corps is to consist of a Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel and Major, eight Captains Sixteen Subalterns with staff and Non-commissioned officers proportioned.

Colonel Scammell will command it and 'till further orders may lay encamped contiguous to King's ferry and be ready to support the Party on the lines.

The Detachment now on the lines to be immediately relieved by Detail from the Army at large; the Relief to consist

of a number equal to the detachment previous to the disaster of the 14th inst.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, May 18, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Commander in Chief having occasion to be absent from the Army for a few days Major General St. Clair will command untill his return, or 'till an officer superior to himself [sic] shall arrive.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, May 21, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A General Court martial composed of officers of Artillery (Lieutenant Colonel Stephens, President) to assemble at the Artillery Park at ten o'Clock tomorrow morning for the trial of such prisoners of that corps as may be brought before them; all evidences to attend.

The Quarter masters of Brigades and corps are forthwith to make returns to the Quarter master General of every species of public property in their hands and in possession of the several brigades and Corps including in the Returns all Waggons or other Carriages with their horses and Geers.

A Cooper to be sent to attend Commissary Weed's⁵⁷ Stores at New Windsor untill further Orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, May 25, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

Peter McBride, Matross in the 2d. regiment of Artillery charged with “mutinous behavior”; Joel Wilmot and Elmer Russell, matrosses in the same regiment, charged with “Desertion”, were tried by the General Court martial whereof Lieutenant Colonel Stephens is president, convicted and sentenced as follows vizt. Peter McBride to receive one hundred lashes on his bare back with hiccory rods: Joel Wilmot and Elmer Russell to receive one hundred lashes each on their bare

backs. Major General St Clair approves the above sentences and orders them to be executed as soon as convenient.

57. Jacob Weed. He was Assistant Commissary of Issues.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, May 27, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to order that in future only such Men as are not expected to do duty with arms vizt. General, Field and Staff Officers servants, Waggoners, butchers, bakers, Commissaries, Quarter masters and Forage masters assistants and one armourer for each regiment in every brigade to which a travelling Forge is attach'd, be returned on Extra Service.

That all others on duty in Camp or Garrison, whether with arms, on Fatigue or occasionally employed as Artificers (except guards placed for the security of Magazines of Ammunition cloathing or provisions not in Garrison be returned Present on duty, and comprized in the number fit for Action.

That men detached beyond the ordinary limits of camp or garrison duty whether the service they are ordered on is to be perform'd with or without arms and all guards for Magazines not in Garrison be returned on Command.

That the men On duty, Command and Extra service be accounted for with the utmost precision specifying where they are; what duty they are on; Time of absence; and by whose order.

That the troops on the lines and such as are on duty from the Continental Village to Fishkill and from Fort Montgomery to Newburgh inclusive except Magazine guards be considered fit for Action.

That as the regulated camp and garrison duty of every Brigade will in ordinary cases be comparatively the same

the Adjutant General will not give Credit in his details for men on duty by any other than General Orders.

That the commanding officers of regiments and Corps cause Advertisements to be immediately inserted in the public newspapers requiring such of their men as are sick absent in different parts of the Country where military Hospitals are not established, or return'd absent under other heads and cannot be particularly accounted for to join their respective corps or give information where they are and the cause of their detention within a reasonable limited time on pain of being treated as deserters.

That no Physician or surgeon shall furlough a soldier on any pretence except within the vicinity of the Hospital where they may at anytime be called upon. When a change of air may contribute to re-establish the health of a convalescent patient or when a more than ordinary length of time is required to bring it about, the Physician or surgeon, having the direction of the hospital where such patient may be is to certify his case to the officer commanding the Brigade regiment or corps to which he belongs who may transmit him a Furlough provided his former Character merits the indulgence. That every sick soldier whose complaint requires his being removed from his corps or command be sent to the Hospital if there be one within a convenient distance.

The brigade and regimental returns will be made in future agreeably to the Forms given out this day.

All absent officers not on public duty by order of the Commander in Chief or not appointed by proper authority under him to receive and forward on the recruits are to join their respective corps immediately, no other excuse can be admitted.

No more furloughs are to be given 'till the end of the

Campaign, but in very extraordinary cases of which the General officer commanding the corps is to be the judge.

All soldiers upon Furlough are to be immediately order'd to join their respective regiments.

The Commander in Chief does in pointed and positive terms forbid under any pretence whatever commanding officers of regiments discharging soldiers before the term for which they are engaged is expired and he is equally pointed in forbidding the exchanging of men unless both are produced to the General officer commanding and his approbation obtained which is to be certified in the discharge.

No more recruits are to be discharged such as are thought unfit for Service by the Inspectors of the different State lines with the army are to be sent to the Adjutant General for further examination.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, May 28, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Each regiment in the New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and New Jersey lines is ordered to furnish two able bodied men (engaged for three years or during the war) from the first recruits that join them, to be incorporated with the Corps of Sappers and Miners on the same principles with those already draughted for that corps.

That part of Colonel Van Schaick's regiment stationed at West Point is to be held in readiness to move on the shortest notice; all detachment, or men on other duty from it are to be immediately relieved and called in.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, May 29, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a Garrison Court martial held at Philadelphia the 4th. of April 1781, by order of Major General St. Clair, whereof Major James Moore⁹⁶ was President.

Lieutenant John Bigham⁹⁷ of the 5th. Pennsylvania Regiment, charged for “Spending or misapplying money given to him for the purpose of paying the third bounty to recruits” was tried, found Guilty of the charge being a breach of the 4th. article 12th. section of the articles of war and sentenced to be Cashiered.

The Commander in Chief Approves the sentence. He is sorry he cannot in compliance with the Recommendation of the Court restore Lieutenant Bigham to his former Rank and Command. The reasons which have been assigned by him for applying the public money committed to his care to other purposes than those for which it was intended are not in the General's opinion sufficient to justify the breach of Trust.

At a General Court Martial held at the Park of Artillery by order of Major General St. Clair and continued by adjournments from the 22d to the 26th. of May inclusive. Lieutenant Colonel Stephens President.

Lewis Seely, Matross in the 2d. regiment of Artillery charged with “Repeated Desertion.”

Benjamin Harley, Matross in the 3d regiment charged with “Desertion and reinlisting” and

Robert Barber, Matross in the same regiment charged with “Desertion and attempting to go to the Enemy”

96. Of the First Pennsylvania Regiment. He served to November, 1783.

97. Lieut. John Bingham.

were tried found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death more than two thirds of the Court agreeing thereto.

The Commander in Chief approves the above sentences.

John Hennessee, soldier in the late 4th New York regiment charged “with Desertion and endeavouring to go to the enemy tried by the General Court martial held at West Point the 19th. instant whereof Major Moses Ashley was president, and William King of the 1st. New York regiment charged with “Desertion” tried by the General Court martial held at West Point by order of Brigadier General Patterson the 22d. instant whereof Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Smith was President, were found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death more than two thirds of each Court agreeing.

The Commander in Chief approves the above sentences.

Untill a more extensive plan for exercising and manœuvring can be adopted the Commander in Chief hopes and expects Officers of every rank will pay particular attention to the instruction of their recruits agreeably to the fifth Chapter of the Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Army; and the Exercising such of their men as are already acquainted with the different Articles explained in the fifth agreeably to the sixth Chapter of the same Regulations.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, May 30, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolves:

By the United States in Congress assembled May 4th, 1781.

Resolved, That Thomas Hutchins be appointed geographer to the

Southern army, with the same pay and emoluments as are allowed to the geographer to the main army.

May 18th. 1781.

Resolved That the Commander in Chief be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to arrange the brigade chaplains of the several State lines serving with the army, and the commanding general of the southern army those of line serving with that army; so as to retain in service no more chaplains of each line than are equal to the number of brigades:

That every chaplain deemed and certified to the Board of War to be supernumerary, be no longer continued in service, and be entitled to have their depreciation made good, and to the half-pay of captains for life.

Resolved that the commanding general at West point for the time being receive the extra allowance granted by Congress to an officer commanding in a separate department until the further order of Congress.

As a considerable proportion of the troops in this Army will consist of recruits but little accustomed to military service, and as the season for commencing the Campaign is so near at hand as to afford but a small opportunity at best of initiating them in the duties of their profession, the General is extremely solicitous that the intermediate space between the present moment and that of taking the Field should be wholly occupied in disciplining and forming them.

He calls upon the officers of every rank in the most earnest and pressing manner to devote themselves personally and unremittingly (agreeably to the orders of yesterday) to an object of such vast importance to their own Reputation as well as the Good of the Public Service.

The Adjutant General will be pleased also to superintend the Exercising and manœuvring of the troops so far as their dispersed

situation and the other duties of his office will permit; he will begin with the Guards of the Commander in Chief, and attend the Cantonments of the other Corps at such times as he shall appoint; he is requested likewise to report with great precision from time to time the State of the discipline of the several regiments noting the extraordinary proficiency that any particular Corps may make and the apparent want of it which may be visible in any others.

As soon as the Army is drawn together the Commander in Chief will judge for himself of the attention which shall have been paid to this order.

Colonel Hazen's regiment to hold itself in readiness to march on the shortest notice.

The Adjutant General will inspect the Rhode Island regiment on Saturday next it is therefore ordered to be in as collected a state as possible and under Arms for that purpose at six o'clock in the morning of that day.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, May 31, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

Lieutenant William Eysandeu¹¹ of the 5th Massachusetts regiment is appointed untill further orders to superintend the General Military Hospital.

11. He served to November, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, June 1, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Commanding officers of regiments and brigades are desired to pay particular attention to prevent the soldiers from injuring their hutts when they quit them, and to warn the inhabitants in the vicinity not to meddle with or destroy them.

The six companies of Colonel Van Schaick's regiment at West Point to be ready to move as soon as the Quarter master General has provided Vessels.

The Regimental Quarter Master to apply to the Quarter master general to know when the vessels will be ready and at what place.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, June 4, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Accurate Returns of the number of Recruits joined the different state lines and corps of Artillery to the 1st. instant specifying also the number of these returned as unfit for service to be made to the Adjutant General by Thursday next without fail.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, June 5, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Colonel Hazen's regiment to embark tomorrow morning at Fishkill landing where transports are provided for them.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolves:

By the United States in Congress Assembled, May 25th, 1781.

The report of the committee on the letter, of the 20 December last, from the Commander in Chief, was taken into consideration, Whereupon,

Resolved , That battalion promotions in the infantry, to the rank of commanding officer inclusive, where such battalion is annexed to any State, shall be in the line of such State:

That in regiments of infantry or legionary corps, not annexed to particular states, promotions to the rank of commanding officer inclusive, be regimental or legionary;

That promotions in the cavalry and artillery, be regimental to the rank of commanding officer inclusive;

That the promoting of battalion officers to the rank of brigadiers, be confined to the following districts in each of which brigadiers, when necessary, shall be made from the senior officer of that district, without regard to any particular State:

That New Hampshire and Massachusetts, be entitled to four brigadiers; Rhode Island and Connecticut, two brigadiers; New York and New Jersey, including Colonel Hazen's regiment, two brigadiers; Pennsylvania, two brigadiers; Delaware and Maryland, two brigadiers; Virginia, three brigadiers; North Carolina, one brigadier; South Carolina and Georgia, one brigadier:

That whenever a brigadier shall be wanting for the troops of either of those districts, he shall be made from the senior battalion officer without regarding the State to which he belongs:

That in the cavalry and artillery, brigadiers shall be made from the eldest regimental officers in those corps respectively:

That major generals shall be made from the eldest brigadiers in the army, whether belonging to the infantry cavalry or artillery:

That all brigadiers hereafter to be made, shall have relative rank respecting each other, agreeable to the date of their last battalion commissions, priority of appointment not withstanding:

That Tench Tilghman, esq. receive the commission of lieutenant colonel in the line of the army and take rank from the 1st of April, 1777:

That Doctor James McHenry receive the commission of major in the army of the United States, to take rank from the 30th of October last:

That officers not annexed to any line, serving in the family of the Commander in Chief, and those serving as Aids-de-camps with other general officers, retain the rank they now hold, and shall be eligible to command upon detachments when the Commander in Chief, or commanding officer of a department, shall think proper:

That all officers who are hostages, and are liable to be called for by the enemy, and are not continued in the line of any State, shall be entitled to their full pay until redeemed, and to half pay for life afterward, in the same manner as

officers of equal rank reduced by the late arrangement: and that it be recommended to the respective states, in the line of which they were at the time of their becoming hostages, to make good to them their depreciation, and also to pay them such sums as are or may become due to them, and charge the same to the United States:

That lieutenant colonels commandants, of battalions be not considered in different grades from other lieutenant colonels of the line.

The Commander in Chief thinks proper to direct that all Vacancies should be filled to the present time agreeably to the rules of Promotion formerly established. From this period it is expected the foregoing Regulations respecting Promotion will be strictly adhered to throughout the Line of the army.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, June 6, 1781

Parole—. Countersigns—.

The Quarter master General is immediately to take measures for drawing together as many Tents and other Camp equipage as will be sufficient to encamp the whole army. He will report to the Commander in Chief when he is ready to make a General delivery that orders may be given accordingly.

The Arrangement of the Corps of Engineers and of Sappers and Miners not having been completed when the regulations for the new Formation of the army were published in General orders on the first of November last is the reason why those corps were not included at that time or mentioned in the rules of promotion published yesterday. But the Honorable the Congress having by their Resolve of the 14th of November last declared that the above mentioned Corps are to be put on an equal establishment with those of other lines, the officers belonging to them are to be considered on an equal footing in their respective ranks with those of Artillery Infantry and Cavalry and are to be respected accordingly.

The Regimental Clothiers of the New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut lines are called upon to deliver at the Adjutant General's office by the 15th. instant, accurate returns of the Cloathing drawn and delivered by them to their respective regiments for the present year. The regimental Clothiers of the New York and New Jersey lines and Hazen's regiment will make similar returns within the present month.

Brigadier General Du Portails guard to be immediately augmented to a Serjeant, Corporal and twelve men.

The Adjutant General will tomorrow morning superintend the exercising such of the troops of the Massachusetts line as can be drawn out for 'that purpose. He requests they may be on the Grand Parade at West Point by seven o'clock; the recruits formed into squads greater or smaller agreeable to the proficiency they have made in discipline.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, June 7, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

Troy Lee, a soldier in the 5th. Massachusett's regiment, tried 5th. June 1781 by a General court martial whereof Lieutenant Colonel Badlam was President for "repeated Desertion, changing his name and inlisting into the Hampshire line," was found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, June 8, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

On the entreaty of his Friends and the intercessions of a number of gentlemen the Commander in Chief is pleased to pardon William King of the first New York regiment now under sentence of Death for Desertion.

Jonathan Trumbull, Esqr., Junior, is appointed Secretary to the Commander in Chief and to be respected accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, June 10, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Whilst the Troops continue in their present position the Adjutant General will attend the exercising of the Connecticut Line on Mondays and Thursdays; of the Troops on Westpoint on Tuesdays and Fridays, and at the Hampshire huts on Saturdays.

The Commanding officer or Inspector of the Connecticut Line will please to fix on a spot of ground for Exercise and send a person to the landing between six and seven o'clock tomorrow morning to conduct the Adjutant General to it.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, June 12, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

A Serjeant, Corporal, and twelve privates to be sent immediately as a guard to Lord Stirling's Quarters at deacon Brewster's one and a half mile north of General Knox's quarters and to be relieved weekly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, June 13, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Fifty Boatbuilders and Ship Carpenters, or other carpenters to complete the deficiency of the former.

Twenty four Wood cutters and four nailors, to be immediately sent to the Quarter master General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, June 14, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The regimental surgeons are requested to make returns immediately to the Chief Physician and Surgeon of the Army, of all the medicines on hand and what articles they are in want of, that they may receive orders on the Apothecary at Fishkill to supply them as far as his stock on hand will admit of.

An exact return of all the women with the army who draw provisions from the public is to be given in at the orderly office as soon as may be.

The Quarter master General is immediately to make the best provision of straw in his power at or near Peekskill for the use of the Troops who are to be encamped at that place.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, June 15, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

It is with singular pleasure the Commander in Chief congratulates the army on the success of our arms under Major General Greene in South Carolina.

On the 10th. May, Lord Rawdon who commanded the

post of Camden was compelled to evacuate it with great precipitation and marks of distress after destroying the stores and several Buildings and leaving three officers and fifty eight men who were too badly wounded to be removed.

On the 11th. the strong post of Orangeburgh surrendered to General Sumpter upon his making preparations to invest it, a Colonel with several other officers and upwards of eighty men were made prisoners; on the 12th. the Garrison of Fort Mott consisting of one Captain three Lieutenants three Ensigns, one Serjeant Major, one serjeant eight Corporals, two Drummers and fifers and one hundred and sixty-five privates surrendered prisoners of War to Brigadier General Marion who had carried his approaches to the foot of the Abbatis. and on the 15th. Fort Granby was surrendered by Capitulation to Lieutenant Colonel Lee the troops composing the Garrison consisted of one Lieutenant Colonel two Majors, Six Captains, six Lieutenants, three Ensigns one Surgeon two Serjeant Majors, seventeen Serjeants nine Corporals and three hundred and five privates who were all made prisoners. Considerable quantities of stores and provisions were also captured at the several Posts.

The General has the further pleasure of informing the army that the Posts of Augusta and Ninety six were invested by General Pickins and must in all probability have fallen before this time as General Greene had also march'd his Army to assist in the reduction of them.

These brilliant repeated successes which reflect so much glory on the Southern army will be attended with the most important consequences to those States and are a happy presage of our being able speedily to expel the Enemy from every part of the Continent, with proper exertions.

David Cobb, Esqr.⁵ Lieutenant Colonel of the 9th Massachusetts regiment, is appointed Aid de Camp to the Commander in Chief and is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

No men to be transferred to the Corps of Invalids untill further orders.

5. Appointed lieutenant colonel commandant of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served as aide to Washington to December, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, June 17, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

A Detachment to be immediately drawn out from the different Brigades for the Garrison of West Point. The Noncommissioned officers and privates to be composed of such as are the weakest and least fit for field duty.

A Serjeant Corporal and eight men to be sent to Warwick on the road to Sussex Court House tomorrow for the Protection of the Commissaries stores there. The Serjeant when he arrives will take his orders from the Keeper of the Magazine, and continue on that duty untill relieved, or dismissed by the Keeper of the Magazine.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Monday, June 18, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Troops at Westpoint and in the vicinity of it will be Brigaded as follows and are to Encamp in that order when they remove to Peekskill, 'till then no alterations will be made in the Present disposition of them:

Right Wing: Majr. Genl. Heath: — Olney, R. I. R[egt.]; Butler, 4 C[onn.]; Swift, 2 C. Brigr. Genl. Huntington—Webb's, 3 C.; Sherman, 5 C.; Durkee, 1 C. Left Wing: Major Genl. Lord Stirling: Brigadr. Genl. Glover—Vose, 1 M[ass.]; Brooks, 7 M.; Sheppard, 4 M. Brigr. Genl. Patterson —Sproat, 2 M.; M. Jackson, 8 M.; Putnam, 5 M. Second Line: Major Genl. Parsons—Howe. Scammell, 1 N[ew] H[ampshire]; Read, 2 N.H.; Tupper, 10 M. Genl. Knox—Park of Artillery. Genl. Duportail—Engineers and Sapprs. and Minrs. Major Genl. Lincoln—Howe. Greaton, 3 M.; Henry Jackson, 9 M.; Smith, 6. M.

When the Troops assemble at Peekskill General McDougall is to take command of the Post of Westpoint and its dependencies and will remain there 'till the army commences its operations when he will be relieved.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Tuesday, June 19, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Army will march for its encampment in the Vicinity of Peekskill in the following order, and on the days named if the Weather will permit.

First The division commanded by Major General Parsons (agreeably to the arrangement of yesterday) on thursday the 21St.

next., General Lincoln's Division on the 22d.

then. General Howe's on the 23d.

The Quarter Master General will point out the ground.

The Officers commanding these divisions are to make the necessary arrangements with the Quarter Master General for removing the troops to their ground, providing them with tents &ca.

The Detachments intended to Garrison West Point and its dependencies are to repair to the Barracks on the Point as their divisions respectively march.

General Knox will furnish such field Pieces to each division when it marches, as he can conveniently man without interrupting the important work he has on hand.

The Corps of Sappers and Miners may move when General Du Portail (who will have respect to the business they are now engaged in) shall order.

A Captain, five subs, six serjeants and one hundred rank and file of the best Oars men in the Army are to be drawn from the line at large, in as equal proportion as such men can be had and placed under the command of Major Darby²⁹ who is to receive all the boats ordered to Westpoint and will put them in the best order he can.

Major Darby will consult with the Quarter master General and give every aid in his power to collect the boats in the river to a point and will determine what repairs it may be in his power to bestow on them that measures may be taken accordingly.

The difficulty of transportation must be too obvious to the army to need exposition, but were the Case otherwise the operations of the Campaign will more than probably, be of such a nature as to render it not only advisable but indispensably necessary to encumber the field as little as possible with Baggage. The Commander in Chief does therefore in most pointed terms recommend to officers of every rank commanding Corps to divest themselves of every species of Baggage that they can possibly do without, and will see that all others

29. Maj. Samuel Darby, of the Seventh Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

under their respective orders do the like; if this timely admonition is disregarded they must abide the consequences.

No Women will be suffered to ride in waggons or walk in the ranks this Campaign unless there are very particular reasons for it, of which the General Officer or officer commanding the Division or brigade to which they belong is to be the judge; a written permission only will avail; without this the officers of the day or police are not only authorized to turn them out, but requested to inflict instant punishment upon those who shall be found transgressors of this order.

Every Mess must carry its own Camp Kettle unless otherwise directed in General Orders; officers of every rank are to consider themselves as responsible for the orders of this day so far as respects the corps they command and to report delinquencies in others.

Captain Lieutenant Gilliland,³⁰ of the corps of Sappers and Miners, is promoted to the rank of Captain in the same, vice McMurray resign'd the 1st. June 1781, and Captain Lieutenant Bushnell of the same Corps is promoted to the rank of Captain vice Bæbe,³¹ resigned 8 June 1781.

Jonathan Lawrence, Esqr, Lieutenant in late Malcolms regiment is appointed to the rank of Captain in the Corps of Sappers and Miners, his Commission to bear date from the 12th. June 1781.

A Return to be made to the Adjutant General by Thursday next from each regiment of all the men, by name, that are acquainted with the use of rifles.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Wednesday, June 20, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Regimental Surgeons are to have all their Sick that are not able to move with the Troops removed to the Hospital at Robinson's house except the Small Pox patients who are to be removed to the small pox Hospital in the rear of the New Hampshire huts; in removing the

30. Capt. James Gilliland. He resigned in October, 1782.

31. Capt. James Beebe.

latter particular care should be taken that they have no communication with the rest of the Army.

Two men from the Massachusetts line, one from Connecticut and one from the Hampshire lines, such as are least fit for Field duty (recruits in preference) to be sent to Doctor Craick for the purpose of assisting the flying hospital when these lines move.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Thursday, June 21, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

The Honorable the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolves:

By the United States in Congress assembled, June 11th. 1781

Resolved , That the officers of the hospital and medical department, now in service, be allowed the depreciation upon their pay, in the same manner as officers of the line of the army.

June 13, 1781.

Resolved , That it be, and hereby is recommended to the several states, to which the officers of the hospital and medical department now in service, respectively belong, or of which they are or were inhabitants, to settle the accounts of the said officers for depreciation, on the principles established by the resolution of Congress of the 10th of April, 1780; and to make provision for paying the balances that may be found due, in the same manner with officers of the line.

That each State which shall advance more money in making good the depreciation to its respective citizens than its proper proportion, shall be allowed for the same on account of the United States.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Friday, June 22, 1781.

Parole —.Countersigns —.

Twelve men from the Garrison ordered for Westpoint to be sent immediately to the Waggon master General's for the purpose of driving Waggons; and four men to the Commissary of Hides to assist him in collecting and preserving the Hides and Tallow; as it is likely those men will continue on the duty they are now ordered for, the present Campaign they are to be taken from the recruits lately joined and such as are least calculated for Field or Garrison duty.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Saturday, June 23, 1781.

Parole —.Countersigns —.

The Commander in Chief is pleased to direct that in future the Musters of all the Troops as well of the Corps detached from the Main Army, as of those serving under his immediate command, be taken on the first day of every Month or as soon after as Circumstances will possibly admit in order that the Monthly Abstracts and Returns required of the Inspectors may comprehend every alteration that has taken place in the course of the preceding month.

He expects that the returns of arms, accoutrements, ammunition, camp-equipage and cloathing will shew the exact quantity of these several articles on hand at the time of making the last Return. What has been since received, and what remains on hand accounting in the most precise manner for all deficiencies and intermediate alterations. The Return of provisions drawn between the musters should agree with the Muster rolls. To obviate the difficulties that might otherwise arise, the Arms Accoutrements Ammunition cloathing and Camp Equipage in the possession of men on command are to be returned in the same state they were in when the men left their corps,

untill by their return, or by official information they are found to be otherwise.

Officers commanding regiments and companies are charged with the Arms, Accoutrements, Ammunition, camp-equipage and cloathing issued to the men under their respective commands and may be assured that every article that is not satisfactorily accounted for will be charged to their private accompt.

As officers having the command of detached parties are to be accountable to the commanding officer of the Corps to which the men respectively belong for all losses of Arms, Ammunition, accoutrements, cloathing or Camp equipage in possession of the men at the time of their taking command; it is recommended to them to take exact lists of the above articles previous to their march.

The General desires that officers commanding brigades and detached corps oblige their issuing Commissaries to make weekly Returns of the issues to their several commands which they are carefully to compare with the weekly returns of the troops and correct any abuse they discover and he strongly recommends it to all officers scrupulously to examine Returns before they make themselves accountable for their exactness by signing them.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, New Windsor, Sunday, June 24, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

Lieutenant Bradford of Colonel Lamb's regiment of Artillery is Appointed Aid de camp to Major General Lord Stirling and is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Wednesday, June 27, 1781.

Parole New York. Countersigns Bedford, Tappan.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Colonel Swift

Lieutenant Colonel Sprout

Inspector 1st. Connecticut brigade

The Commander in Chief has the pleasure of announcing to the Army the approach of the troops of his most Christian Majesty under the Command of his Excellency Lieutenant General Count de Rochambeau.

The General assures himself that it would be needless to recommend to the officers and Soldiers of the American Army a cultivation of acquaintance and friendship with our generous Allies; policy strongly dictates the measure but he hopes they will be influenced by a nobler motive, Gratitude.

To the Officers of all ranks the General recommends the strictest attention to their several duties; to those of the day and on guards he particularly enjoins the most pointed observance of the rules and regulations for the establishment of discipline, Independent of the necessity of the utmost care and circumspection at all times. We shall be more than commonly bound to practise them henceforward. We shall be daily under the Eyes of officers of the first distinction improved by long service, and there is nothing which contributes more to establish military character of a people than a performance of their duties with Alertness precision and uniformity.

A General officer and two field officers of the day are to be appointed to regulate and Visit the Guard, and to superintend

the police of the army; They will as soon as may be reconnoitre the environs of the Camp and after examining the approaches to the Army they will determine the positions proper for the Guards and report the same to the Commander in Chief.

Chains of Sentinels are to be regularly established from the several camp guards. No Soldiers are to be suffered to go beyond the limits of their Encampments without passes from the commanding officer of the regiment in writing, every Soldier found straggling without such a written permission is to be apprehended and confined and every officer is most earnestly requested to consider it as a part of his duty to see this order invariably carried into execution.

The General expects the strictest attention will be paid to the preservation of the inclosures and to prevent the destruction of every species of private property.

All Deserters and persons from the enemy's lines are to be sent immediately under a small guard to Head Quarters.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Thursday, June 28, 1781.

Parole Army. Countersigns Bakewell, Cookwell.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Lieutenant Colonel C. Smith

Major Rice.

Inspector 2d. Connecticut brigade

The Commanding officers of the Picquets and other guards will be particularly attentive in examining the passes of soldiers and in detaining those respecting whose permissions there is any suspicion of deception untill they can be reported to an officer of the Day.

Country people or transient persons coming to or going from the Army if they cannot give a good account of themselves are to be treated in the same manner without having any insult or outrage offered them.

The Rolls are to be called at least three times a day, the men to be all present or satisfactorily accounted for.

The General presents his Compliments to the General and field officers of the day and expects the pleasure of their company at dinner the day succeeding that on which they are on duty.

In order to save the consumption of forage and to prevent the destruction of the property of Individuals without a compensation, the forage masters are to point out the meadows and pastures which are to be appropriated to the use of the army, none are to be taken up for the public or occupied but in this mode.

The Forage Master General will also take measures to have as great a quantity of Grass cut as is practicable for the purpose of preventing waste and extending the use of forage as far as possible.

The Commissary General of Issues will take effectual measures to procure a supply of Hard bread for the Army.

Untill further orders Picquets will mount daily at the places pointed out by Major General Lord Stirling for the purpose of securing the Avenues to Camp.

For the present the Vacancy left in the Centre of the second line for the Park of Artillery &ca. will be the Grand Parade where the Guards are to Assemble every morning at Eight o'clock.

A Baker from each Brigade will be immediately sent to Colonel Stewart Commissary General at Peekskill Landing.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Friday, June 29, 1781.

Parole Dorchester. Countersigns Easton, Fairfield.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Howe

Colonel Samuel B. Webb

Major John Porter¹

Inspector 1st Massachusetts brigade

The Water-guard is in future to be furnished from Major Darby's command which is for that purpose to be augmented immediately with a Captain, two subs, four serjeants, four Corporals and fifty oarsmen. Captain Pray's detachment is to be relieved accordingly, the oarsmen to assemble on the Grand Parade at four o'clock this afternoon and march as soon as possible to join Major Darby.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Saturday, June 30, 1781.

Parole Gilford. Countersigns Hallifax, Ilford.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Lieutenant Colonel Sherman

Major Oliver³

Inspector 2d Massachusetts brigade

The General expects the pleasure of forming a junction with the French Army in the course of two days and as it is his Wish to have the American Line as full and as respectable as it is in the power of our numbers to make it, he desires that no officer will be absent from Camp except those who are upon Detachment or other unavoidable public duty and directs moreover that the commanding officers of Corps will make a point of it to have all their men in the Line who are not absent in consequence of General orders or upon such other public duty as cannot be dispensed with.

1. Of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment, He was discharged in October, 1782.

3. Maj. Robert Oliver, of the Third Massachusetts Regiment. lie was transferred to the Second Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1785, and served to November, 1783.

The General flatters himself that it is unnecessary to exhort the officers to be careful in seeing that the men with their Arms, Accoutrements and Ammunition are in good order. But when so happy an occasion presents itself to call forth the ambition of the officer and the pride of the soldier he hopes a bare hint will be sufficient.

Major Platt having resigned the office of Deputy Quarter master to the Main Army, Lieutenant Colonel Dearborne⁴ is appointed in his room and is to be respected accordingly.

The Detachment under Major Porter to be relieved. As these Men will be employed on the Lines it is requested the Detachment may be composed of men who are the most capable of active service.

An orderly serjeant from each Division to be sent to the Adjutant General's Quarters daily.

AFTER ORDERS

The French Army does not come to this ground and as the General is desirous of showing all the Respect in his power to those Generous Allies who are hastening with the Zeal of Friends and the ardor of Soldiers to share with us the fatigues and dangers of the Campaign, He purposes to receive them at some other convenient place and for this purpose will march the whole Line of the American Army now at this encampment at three o'clock on Monday morning next.

The Rout, the Disposition and Order of March will be given to Major General Lord Stirling and as it is possible the march of the French Troops may be impeded by unavoidable accidents the General Desires that Officers and Men will take with them their Blankets and a spare shirt and a sufficiency of Provisions ready cooked to last 'till thursday inclusive especially of Bread.

The Picquets Camp Guards Officers Guards and every man that is able to march will appear in the line except a few of the most indifferent who may be left to take care of the baggage of each Brigade which ought

4. Lieut. Col. Henry Dearborn, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He served to March, 1783, and was Secretary of War of the United States from 1801 to 1809.

to be drawn into as narrow a Compass as may be, that the least possible number may suffice to Guard it.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Peekskill, Sunday, July 1, 1781.

Parole Kendall. Countersigns Lancaster, Monmouth.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Lieutenant Colonel Reid

Major Throop

Inspector 3d Massachusetts brigade

The Quarter Master General will order the Billhooks and Hatchets to be sent to King's ferry to the orders of Major Darby who will apply to Head Quarters for instructions.

Colonel Scammell will move with the Light Troops towards the mouth of Croton river to afford Major Darby any assistance that may be necessary in procuring Fascines.

AFTER ORDERS

The Army will march tomorrow morning by the right at the hour appointed in the after orders of yesterday. The General will beat at two o'clock, the Assemblé at half past two; the March to commence at three in the following order: The Advanced Guard, pioneers, one fieldpiece, 6 pounder. General Parsons's Division followed by a field piece, 6 pounder; the spare ammunition of General Parsons's division.

General Lincoln's division preceded by one of the field pieces attach'd to it and followed by the other; the spare ammunition of General Lincoln's Division.

General Howe's division:

The Brigade commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Reid preceded by one field piece, 6 pounder; the corps of Sappers and miners, one light, twelve pounder.

The Brigade commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Smith followed by a field piece, 6 pounder.

Spare ammunition of General Howe's division.

Rear Guard.

The advanced guard will consist of one sub, two serjeants, two Corporals, two Drums and fifes and twenty seven privates from each brigade and a Captain from each division; it will parade at half past two o'clock on the great road in front of the Left of the first Connecticut Brigade and be commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Reid.

The present camp guards of the Army with the Addition of a Captain from each Division will form the Rear Guard and parade at three o'clock on the great road at Commissary Irvin's Quarters under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Sherman.

The Battalions composing the line as well as the Advance and Rear guards Will be careful to secure their flanks agreeably to the Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Army (Chap 14); the Officers of the Day and those commanding Battalions and Platoons will be answerable that no man quits his Platoon on any pretence.

The Quarter Master General will furnish the Route.

Brigadier General Glover is Appointed Brigadier General for the day tomorrow vice General Patterson indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Tarrytown, Monday, July 2, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Lieutenant Colonel Badlam

Major Trescott.

Inspector Starks Brigade.

No drum to beat without particular order.

Officers and Soldiers are to refresh themselves and be within call of their Arms which are for the present to be Stacked.

No person not belonging to the Army is to be permitted to pass through the Camp without being carried to the General or one of the field Officers of the day who will examine him or her very critically and suffer none to pass of suspicious Character or who does not give a satisfactory Account.

Peregrine Fitzhugh, Esqr, Lieutenant in the third regiment of Dragoons is appointed an Extra Aid de camp to the Commander in Chief and to be respected accordingly.

Major Platt will for the present do the duty of Aid to Major General Lord Stirling and is to be respected as such.

Peter Taulman Esqr., Lieutenant in late Colonel Spencer's Regiment is appointed Captain Lieutenant in the Corps of Sappers and Miners and is to be obeyed accordingly.

The Commander in Chief cannot but express his satisfaction at the good order and regularity with which this day's march has been executed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Valentines Hill, Tuesday, July 3, 1781.

Parole Lauzun. Countersigns D'Arrot, Dillon.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Lieutenant Colonel Gray

Major Gibbs

Inspector 1st Connecticut Brigade.

The Continental Troops will this Evening lay upon their Arms upon Valentine's hill in their usual order of Encampment.

All detachments are immediately to join their respective Corps and the officers to take their command in the line; Colonel Scammell's detachment excepted.

The Duke de Lauzun and Brigadier General Waterbury will be pleased to place Picquets upon the roads leading from East Chester to Kingsbridge.

The Officers of the day will take care that proper Guards are posted upon the roads leading from our front and right flank to King's bridge being particularly attentive to the North river and roads leading from it.

The Commander in Chief takes the earliest opportunity of expressing his thanks to the Duke de Lauzun, His Officers and Men for the very Extraordinary Zeal manifested by them in the rapid performance of their march to join the American Army. And the General also takes occasion to thank the Officers and Men of the American Army for the Alacrity with which they have supported themselves under the fatiguing March of yesterday and last Night. The Troops who were engaged to day merit his particular Thanks.

The Army will march tomorrow morning at three o'clock. the General will beat at two, the Assemble at half after two, and it is hoped the March will commence punctually at three in order

to avoid the heat of the day; the Route and order of March will be furnished by the Quarter Master General.

Colonel Scammell's detachment will follow the American Column and serve as a Rear Guard to it.

The Camp Guards with the Addition of a Captain from each division will form the Advanced Guard to be commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Gray and form three hundred yards in the rear of the second line on the road by which the Army marches on the beating of the General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Near Dobb's ferry, Wednesday, July 4, 1781.

Parole Independence. Countersigns America, Glorious.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Lieutenant Colonel Fernald

Major Knapp

Inspector 2d Connecticut brigade

The Commander in Chief wishes the Army to be persuaded that he is extremely pleased with the regularity and order with which the late movement was performed. He does not recollect to have seen a march where discipline was more strictly observed it afforded him the highest satisfaction never to have seen a straggler from the line of March, and he doubts not they would have exhibited the strongest proofs of patriotism and Bravery had not the Enemy withdrawn themselves at their Approach.

The General positively orders that any Cattle or horses that may have been brought off from near the Enemy's lines by volunteers or any other persons (except properly taken in action) shall be restored to the owners of whatever political Character they are; if the owners names are not known the Cattle to be delivered to the Commissary and the Horses to the Quarter master, to be accounted for.

It is Irsome to mention and even painful for the General to Reflect how disgraceful and derogatory it would be to the reputation of an Army who are the Assertors of Freedom as well as of the Rights of Humanity and of individuals should they ever be guilty of plundering in the minutest article.

The Quarter Master General will take particular care that no houses on the other side of the Wood and stream of Water on the left of the encampment are taken up for the officers of the American Army; all on that side are to be appropriated to the officers of the French Army.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Near Dobbs Ferry, Thursday, July 5, 1781.

Parole Industry. Countersigns Activity, Attention.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Howe.

Lieutenant Colonel Hull

Inspector 1 Massachusetts brigade

The Hour for issuing the Parole and Countersigns and furnishing the Adjutant General with the daily orders will be Two o'clock: at this time the Commander in Chief expects that all the General Officers and the Heads of every Department will attend at Head Quarters if there are no particular reasons to prevent it, and when they are not, that they will send some persons to represent them; the

General officer of the preceding day will then make his Report and he that is of the Day receive his instructions; he will also receive the Parole and Countersigns from the Commander in Chief and immediately give them to the Adjutant General, The General Officers, and Heads of Departments present; at other times they are to be had at the Adjutant General's office where Orders will be issued as usual.

The Regimental Quarter Masters will see that deep Vaults are immediately sunk in proper places and that the Vaults are surrounded with Bushes and covered with fresh Earth every morning.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, July 6, 1781.

Parole Lewis the sixteenth. Countersigns Luzerne, Rochambeau.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Colonel Greaton

Major Ashley

Inspector 2d Massachusetts brigade

The Commander in Chief with pleasure embraces the earliest public opportunity of expressing his thanks to his Excellency the Count de Rochambeau for the unremitting Zeal with which he has prosecuted his March in order to form the long wished for junction between the French and American Forces. An Event which must afford the highest degree of pleasure to every friend of his Country and from which the Happiest Consequences are to be expected. The General entreats his Excellency the Count to Convey to the Officers and Soldiers under his immediate command the grateful sense he entertains of the Chearfulness with which they have performed so Long and

Laborious a march at this extreme hot Season. The Regiment of Saintonge is entitled to peculiar acknowledgments for the Spirit with which they continued and Supported their March without one days Respite.

Dobb's ferry Guard to be relieved.

Lieutenant Colonel William S. Smith is Appointed Aid De Camp to the Commander in Chief and is to be respected accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Near Dobbs Ferry, Saturday, July 7, 1781.

Parole —. Countersigns —.

For the Day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Colonel Putnam

Major Morrel⁴²

Inspector 3d Massachusetts Brigade

No Sutler to harbour or entertain any persons (not belonging to the Army) without a pass but are to send them to the officer of Police or commanding officer of the regiment or Corps they Suttle for who are to examine them and if they do not give a good account of themselves or if there is room to suppose them of suspicious Characters they are to send them to the General of the day for further examination.

Lieutenant Rogers⁴³ of the second Connecticut Regiment is appointed Aid de Camp to Brigadier General Huntington and to be respected accordingly.

A Fatigue party to parade tomorrow morning at Sunrise the officer commanding will receive his instructions from the Deputy Quarter master who will furnish him with tools.

Three Coopers to be sent this Evening to Commissary Irwin's⁴⁴ Quarters for a continuance.

Twenty Waggoners from the Line to be sent to the Quarter Master General's quarters this evening; the first and second Connecticut brigades will furnish four each, the other brigades three each.

42. Maj. Amos Morrill (Morrel), of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He served to the close of the war.

43. Lieut Hezekiah Rogers. He was appointed captain in December, 1782; transferred to the Third Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783; served as aide to Huntington from July, 1781, to June, 1783; retained in Swift's Connecticut regiment in June, 1783; served to close of the war.

44. Matthew Irvine (Irwin), Deputy Commissary of Issues.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Sunday, July 8, 1781.

Parole Paris. Countersigns Brest, Dunkirk.

For the Day tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Colonel Henry Jackson

Major Prior⁴⁶

Inspector Stark's brigade

For the working party Colonel Greaton, Major Oliver.

The Surgeons who have not yet been furnished with Lint and Bandages will please to apply for them at the Flying hospital one mile in the rear of Head Quarters.

Lieutenant Thomas T. Jackson⁴⁷ of Colonel Sheldon's dragoons is appointed Aid de Camp to Major General Lord Stirling and is to be respected accordingly.

The following officers are appointed to do the regimental Staff duty in the Fifth Connecticut regiment vizt. Lieutenant Aaron Benjamin,⁴⁸ Adjutant from 1st. January 1781 Lieutenant Ezra Lee,⁴⁹ Paymaster from 22d February 1781. Lieutenant Reuben Anderson,⁵⁰ Quarter master from 1st. June 1781, and are to be obeyed accordingly.

A Working party under the command of a Colonel and Major to parade tomorrow morning at eight o'clock on the Grand Parade with their arms and packs; to march to Dobbs ferry there to erect such Fortifications as Lieutenant Colonel Gouvion (who will attend as Engineer) shall point out.

An accurate Return of the number of recruits that have joined the several State lines and the Artillery between the first of June and first of July 1781 to be given in at the Adjutant General's office on Tuesday next specifying what number of them has been rejected as unfit for service.

46. Maj. Abner William Prior, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781, and resigned in December, 1781.

47. Lieut. Thomas Tredwell Jackson, of the Second Continental Dragoons. He was aide to Lord Stirling, with the rank of major, from July, 1781, to January, 1783.

48. Of the Eighth Connecticut Regiment. He was transferred to the Fifth Connecticut Regiment in January, 1781; served as regimental adjutant of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment from July, 1781, to January, 1783; served to November, 1753.

49. Paymaster of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment until he retired in June, 1782.

50. Lieut. Thomas (Reuben) Anderson. He resigned in December, 1782.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Monday, July 9, 1781.

Parole Providence. Countersigns Newport, Hartford.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Colonel Swift

For Picquet Major Trescot

Inspector 1st. Connecticut brigade

The Guards and Picquets in front and on the Flanks of the army are not to suffer any person on any pretence whatsoever to pass them into Camp.

If any person appears at either of the above mentioned Guards or Picquets, on pretence of business he or she are to be detained and the Letter or verbal Message the person is Charged with communicated at Head Quarters.

No Person whatsoever is to be allowed to pass out of Camp in front or on the Flanks of the Army without a pass from the Commander in Chief or the General officer of the day.

The Picquets No. 5, 6, 7, and 8 to be commanded by a Major, Who will post a Captain and thirty men at No. 5, a Sub and twenty at No. 6. a Sub and Twenty at No. 7. and a Captain and thirty at No. 8 on the Left.

The Regiment on the left in the second Line will take Post on the Hills in the rear of the Picquet No. 7.

Colonel M. Jackson, Lieutenant Colonel Brooks and Major Throop will repair immediately to West point and take command in the Detachment under General McDougall.

Captain Hasfield White⁵⁵ of the fifth Massachusetts Regiment is appointed Deputy Waggon Master and is to be respected accordingly.

55. Capt. Haffield (Hatsfield) White. He retired in January.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Tuesday, July 10, 1781.

Parole Versailles. Countersigns Rochelle, Nantz.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Colonel Webb

For Picquet Major Gibbs

Inspector 2d Connecticut brigade

Two Field pieces in the Centre of the second line of the American Camp will be fired as a signal of Alarm in case the enemy should attempt to advance in force: the Troops thereupon will immediately

form the Line of Battle in front of their respective encampments and be ready to receive orders or act as Circumstances may require.

The Quarter Master General of the American Army will endeavor to procure three intelligent well affected inhabitants acquainted with the Characters of the people in this part of the country to be stationed upon the roads leading into Camp and give passes to those who may be safely admitted.

All Officers holding Brevet or other Commissions and not attached to particular corps or serving in the families of General Officers are to be put upon the General Roster and to take their tour of duty.⁷²

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Wednesday, July 11, 1781.

Parole Northcastle. Countersigns Boston, Bedford.

MORNING ORDERS

Major General Lincoln is appointed General officer of this day, vice Major General Lord Stirling indisposed.

72. On July 10 Washington wrote briefly to Lieut. John Townes, in reply to his request for a reconsideration of his court-martial sentence, referring him to General Greene, who will order a new trial, if he thinks the former illegal. This draft is in the *Washington Papers*.

For the Day tomorrow

Major General Howe

Colonel Tupper

For Picquet Major Knap

Inspector 1 Massachusetts brigade

Returns of the number of shoes actually wanting in each Brigade regimentally digested, to be given in at the Adjutant General's Office tomorrow at orderly time.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs' Ferry, Thursday, July 12, 1781.

Parole Normandy. Countersigns Toulon, Brest.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Colonel Butler

For Picquet Major Keith⁸²

Inspector 2d Massachusetts brigade

Untill further orders the Troops are constantly to be provided with three days allowance of baked bread and two days allowance of cooked beef.

Colonel Scammell's detachment is to be supplied occasionally with Ammunition by the regiments to which the men respectively belong, on Returns from Colonel Scammell or some Field officer of his Detachment.

The Clothier General will furnish Shoes agreeable to the Returns of deficiencies delivered this day: the regimental clothiers will apply tomorrow morning for their several Quota's at Commissary Irwin's Quarters where the Clothier's Stores now are.

82. Maj. James Keith, of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, July 13, 1781.

Parole Portsmouth. Countersigns Augusta, Bolton.

For the Day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Lieutenant Colonel Sprout

For Picquet Major Morrel

Inspector from 3d Massachusetts brigade.

Captain Timothy Remick⁹⁸ of the first Massachusetts regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector of the first Massachusetts's Brigade and is to be obeyed accordingly.

Captain Seth Drew⁹⁹ of the second Massachusetts regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector to the second Massachusetts's Brigade and is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

Captain Caleb Robinson¹ of the second New Hampshire Regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector to General Stark's Brigade vice Major Scott² resigned that office and is to be obeyed and respected accordingly.

A Surgeon from the third Massachusetts Brigade will this day relieve the one on command with Colonel Scammel.

A Surgeon from each Brigade will attend at the Flying Hospital tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock to receive a set of Capital Instruments for the use of the Brigade.

98. He served to November, 1783.

99. He was appointed major of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June 1783.

1. Of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed major of the Second New Hampshire Regiment in October, 1781, and retired in March, 1782.

2. Maj. William Scott, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He had been wounded and taken prisoner at Stillwater in September, 1777, and had retired in January, 1781.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobb's Ferry, Saturday, July 14, 1781.

Parole Burgundy, Countersigns Rochelle, Dunkirk.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Lieutenant Colonel C. Smith¹⁵

For Picquet Major Billey Porter

Inspector from Stark's Brigade

The Gentlemen who attend at the Adjutant General's office for Orders are requested to be there precisely at three o'clock P.M. until further orders.

Captain Converse¹⁶ of the second Connecticut out regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector to the second Connecticut Brigade.

Captain Warner¹⁷ of the first Connecticut regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector to the first Connecticut Brigade. Both these Gentlemen are to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobb's Ferry, Sunday, July 15, 1781.

Parole Virginia, Countersigns La Fayette, Steuben.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Lieutenant Colonel Mellen²¹

Inspector, Captain Warner

For Picquet Major Spurr²²

As it has been represented to the Commander in Chief that the quantity of fresh meat lately ordered to be drawn by the troops will not keep during this hot Season, He desires the Commissary General may cause two days allowance of salt beef to be issued to every regiment which is to be put into the care of the regimental Quarter master not to be delivered to the troops but by special order of the Commanding officers of Brigades and that the troops be served daily with fresh beef.

15. Lieut. Col. Calvin Smith, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He served to June, 1783.

16. Capt. Thomas Converse. He retired in January, 1783.

17. Capt. Robert Warner. He was appointed major in the same regiment (First Connecticut) in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

21. Lieut. Col. James Mellen, of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. He was made lieutenant colonel commandant of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

22. Maj. John Spurr, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

Captain Robert Pemberton²³ being appointed assistant Adjutant General Vice Dexter²⁴, promoted and joined his regiment is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Headquarters near Dobb's Ferry, Monday, July 16, 1781.

Parole France. Countersigns Spain, America.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Lieutenant Colonel Vose

For Picquet Major Scott

Inspector Capt. Converse

A Captain from the New Hampshire brigade to join the Light Infantry under Colonel Scammell this day.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs ferry, Tuesday, July 17, 1781.

Parole Champagne. Countersigns Passi, Lyons.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Lieutenant Colonel Olney

For picquet Major Woodbridge

Inspector Captain Remick³⁹

The Commander in Chief is exceedingly pleased with the Conduct of Major General Howe for marching with so much alacrity and rapidity to the defence of the stores at Tarrytown.

23. Formerly of Forman's Additional Continental regiment.

24. Maj. John Singer Dexter, of Olney's Rhode Island regiment. He had been assistant adjutant general from May, 1779, to July, 1781, and served to November, 1783.

39. Capt. Timothy Remick, of the First Massachusetts Regiment. He served to November, 1783.

and repulsing the Enemy's shipping from thence.

He requests General Howe and all the officers and soldiers of the American and French Armies who were employed on the occasion to accept this public acknowledgement of their Services.

The gallant behaviour and spirited exertions of Colonel Sheldon Captain Hurlbut⁴⁰ of the second regiment of Dragoons, Captain Lieutenant Miles⁴¹ of the Artillery and Lieutenant Shaylor⁴² of the 4th Connecticut regiment (previous to the arrival of the troops) in extinguishing the flames of the vessels which had been set on fire by the enemy and rescuing the whole of the ordinance and stores from Destruction entitle them to the most distinguished notice and Applause of their General.

The Alacrity and dispatch manifested by the officers and soldiers employed in erecting the works at Dobbs ferry are highly pleasing to the General: he begs that Colonel Greaton and Lieutenant Colonel Gouvion may accept his thanks for their attention and activity on this occasion and that they will be pleased to communicate to the officers and soldiers of the working party and of the Corps of Sappers and Miners employed there the grateful sense he entertains of their services.

A General Court Martial whereof Colonel Putnam is appointed President will assemble tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M. at the president's Marquee for the trial of Stephen Dodge of the second regiment of Light Dragoons and such other prisoners as may be brought before it.

Lieutenant Colonel Sprout, Major Scott, two Captains, from the first Connecticut, two from the second, two from the first Massachusetts, one from the second, one from the third; and two from the New Hampshire Brigades will attend as Members. All evidences and persons concerned are requested to attend. An Orderly Sergeant from each Division to be sent to the Court.

40. Capt. George Hurlbut, of the Second Continental Dragoons. He was wounded in this skirmish on July 15, 1781, and died of his wound in May, 1783.

41. Capt.-Lieut. John Miles, of the Second Continental Artillery. He resigned in December, 1782.

42. Lieut. Joseph Shaylor. He was transferred to the First Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

The Commander in Chief directs that in future all prisoners charged with Capital Crimes be sent to the Provost guard to be tried by a General Court Martial of the line; those charged with crimes, not capital to be confined in the quarter guards of their respective regiments and tried by regimental Courts martial.

Those who Confine Prisoners in the Provost are to note at the bottom of the Charge against them the names of the Witnesses their Rank and the regiment to which they belong.

A Captain and fifty men for three days command to be on the Grand parade precisely at five o'clock this afternoon they are to relieve a like number now on command at Tarrytown.

Four able bodied men from each brigade who understand mowing to be sent early tomorrow morning to the Forage master General's Quarters near Storm's bridge to be employed by him till further orders.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Wednesday, July 18, 1781.

MORNING ORDERS

A Subaltern and eighteen privates for Guard to be on the Grand Parade at two o'clock this afternoon.

Parole Marblehead. Countersigns Salem, Newhaven.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Howe

Lieutenant Colonel Reid

For Picquet Major Trescot

Inspector Captain Drew⁴³

An Active industrious Sergeant is much wanted to

43. Capt. Seth Drew, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment, He had been appointed brigade inspector on July 13, 1781; major of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

“I passed the North River with Count de Rochambeau, Gen. de Beville his Qr: Mr. Gen. and Gen. Duportail in order to Reconnoitre the Enemy Posts and Encampments at the North end of York Island; took an Escort of 150 Men from the Jersey Troops on the other side.”— *Washington's Diary*, July 18, 1781.

serve as Provost Marshal any officer who can recommend a suitable person is requested to send his name and regiment to the orderly office.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Thursday, July 19, 1781.

Parole Newport. Countersigns Choisy, Barras.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Lieutenant Colonel Newhal⁴⁶

For Picquet Major Gibbs

Inspector Captain Smith

The Guards are to be furnished with the Countersigns at Retreat beating and no person suffered to pass into or out of Camp after that time without giving it; or otherwise satisfying the officer of the guard they are stopped by.

The Brigade Quarter masters are to be particularly careful in having the offal buried as the Camp is becoming offensive.

Sergeant Asa Andrus of the first Connecticut regiment is appointed to do the duty of Provost Marshal until further orders and is to be obeyed as such.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, July 20, 1781.

Parole Newport. Countersigns Choise, Barras.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Lieutenant Colonel Badlam

For Picquet Major Clift

Inspector Captain Robinson⁴⁷

For the Working Party Major Woodbridge.

The Regimental Surgeons are desired to be punctual in sending the Returns of the Sick of their respective regiments to the flying Hospital every Saturday morning.

46. Lieut. Col. Ezra Newhall, of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to November 1783.

47. Capt. Caleb Robinson, of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He was brigade inspector in July, 1781; major in October, 1781; retired in March, 1782.

Until further orders the Drum and Fife Majors of the several Corps in Camp are to assemble every day at 10 o'clock A.M. in the wood in the rear of the second line to practice under the direction of the Inspector of Music who will attend for that purpose.

A working party under the command of a Major to parade tomorrow morning at eight o'clock on the Grand parade with their Arms and packs to march to Dobbs ferry to erect such fortifications as the Engineer at that Post shall point out.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Saturday, July 21, 1781.

Parole Providence. Countersigns Prudence, Brenton.

Watchword Alliance.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Lieutenant Colonel Johnson

For Picquet Major Knap

Inspector Captain Warner⁵⁰

At a General Court Martial whereof Colonel Putnam is president, Stephen Dodge, Soldier in the second regiment of Light Dragoons charged with "Desertion and reinlisting in the York Levies" was tried, found Guilty and sentenced to receive one Hundred Lashes on his bare back.

Jonathan Day, Soldier in the above regiment, charged as above, was tried found guilty and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

Cornelius Corbett, Soldier in the 10th Massachusetts regiment, charged with "Attempting the life of Ensign Moses Carlton,"⁵¹ was tried and found Guilty of a breach of Article 5 Section 2nd. of the Rules and Articles of War and sentenced to receive one hun

50. Capt. Robert Warner, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was made major in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

51. Of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

dred Lashes on his bare back.

The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing sentences.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Kingsbridge, Sunday, July 22, 1781.

Parole Versailles, Countersigns Lauzun, Le Val.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Lieutenant Colonel Fernald

Major Keith

Inspector Captain Converse

The Troops will lay on their Arms and the officers will pay attention to their Platoons.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Kingsbridge, Monday, July 23, 1781.

MORNING ORDERS

The Troops including Colonel Scammell's detachment and Sheldon's Legion to be served with a Gill of Rum pr man or in proportion if there be not quantity enough in Camp to give a Gill.

EVENING ORDERS

Parole New York. Countersigns Morisania, Frog's Neck.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Howe

Lieutenant Colonel Hull

For Picquet Major Morrell

Inspector Captain Remick

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Tuesday, July 24, 1781.

Parole Williamsburgh. Countersigns Jamestown, York.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Colonel Greaton

For Picket Major B. Porter

Inspector Captain Drew⁶⁹

Any persons that have taken up or shall hereafter take up any horses or Oxen in or near Camp belonging to the public are directed to deliver them to Major Cogswell, Waggon Master General immediately after so taking them up on pain of being tried and punished for disobedience of orders.

The Commander in Chief proposes to review the Continental Troops regimentally. The Adjutant General will notify the regiment to be reviewed a few hours beforehand when the Colonel (if not upon duty) and other officers of it and all the Men must be present or satisfactorily accounted for. For this purpose the rolls of each company must be present and called in the presence of the Commander in Chief.

The Major General of the Division and Brigadier or Officer commanding the Brigade to which the regiment belongs are to be present at these reviews and are to be informed of the Time and place accordingly.

The Commanding Officer of Artillery at Dobbs ferry will have a Centinel so posted as to see any movement of Shipping at the Enemy's Posts at King's bridge and is the moment he is certain that a Vessel is coming up the river to fire a Gun as a signal thereof. When lest this should not be heard Colonel Sheldon is to dispatch a Dragoon with the intelligence.

69. Capt. Seth Drew, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed major of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Wednesday, July 25, 1781.

Parole Luxemburgh. Countersigns Bourdeaux, Lisle.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Colonel H. Jackson

For Picquet Major Spurr⁷⁴

Inspector Captain Smith⁷⁵

The Commanding officers of regiments are desired to use every possible endeavour to instruct the recruits in the essential parts of their duty as fast as they join their respective Corps that they may be qualified for actual service.

Lieutenant Kirkpatrick⁷⁶ late of Colonel Spencer's regiment is appointed Captain Lieutenant in the Corps of Sappers and miners and is to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Thursday, July 26, 1781.

Parole Annapolis. Countersigns Baltimore, Elk.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Colonel Swift

For Picquet Major Oliver

Inspector Captain Robinson⁸⁴

The Court Martial whereof Colonel Putnam is President will assemble tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, July 27, 1781.

Parole Flanders. Countersigns Calais, Ushant.

For the Day tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Colonel Webb

For Picquet Major Trescot

Inspector Captain Warner.⁹³

74. Major John Spurt, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

75. Captain David Smith, of the Eighth Connecticut Regiment. His rank as major dates, however, from March, 1778. He was transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

76. Lieut. David Kirkpatrick, of Spencer's Additional Continental regiment. He had retired in January, 1783; was wounded at Yorktown, Va., in October, 1781; served to June, 1783.

84. Capt. Caleb Robinson, of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He was promoted to major in October, 1781, and retired in March, 1782.

93. Capt. Robert Warner, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was promoted to major in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

At a General Court Martial held at Morristown 27th June 1781, of which Lieutenant Colonel De Hart was President.

Corporal William Gibbs and John Davis private, both of the First New Jersey regiment were tried for "Marauding" Convicted and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves their sentence; but at the intercession of Colonel Dayton in favor of Corporal Gibbs and of the Court in favor of John Davis he is pleased to pardon them and directs that they may be released from their confinement and join their regiment.

John Adam, Deputy Commissary of Prisoners appeared before the same General Court martial charged with sundry offences; but no person appearing to prosecute him the Court are of opinion he ought to be released from his Arrest.

The Commander in Chief is of the same opinion and orders that Mr. Adam be released from his Arrest and return to his Duty.

The Attendance of the Drum and Fife Majors on the superintendent of Music will for the present be dispensed with that they may attend to the instruction of the Drummers and fifers of their respective regiments who are to practise from five to six o'clock every morning and from four to five o'clock every afternoon.

Colonel Crane's Band of Music will attend the Grand Parade every Morning.

A General Court Martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson is appointed President will assemble tomorrow at ten o'Clock A M at the Presidents Marquee or such other place as he shall appoint, for the trial of Captain Livermore of the first New Hampshire regiment and all such persons as may be brought before them.

Lieutenant Colonels Vose, Olney, Reid, Hamilton and Gouvion; Captain Treadwell of the Artillery; a Captain from Sheldon's Legion. A Captain from the first and one from the second Connecticut Brigades one Captain from the first and one from the second Massachusetts brigades and one Captain from the New Hampshire brigade will attend as Members.

All Evidences and persons concerned are requested to attend the event.

An orderly serjeant from each Division to attend the Court Martial.

On the First of August an exact Return is to be made to the orderly Office of all the Recruits which have joined the different States Lines and the Artillery in the Course of the present Month and whether any or how many have been dismissed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Saturday, July 28, 1781.

Parole New Windsor. Countersigns Fishkill, Crompond.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Heath

Colonel Tupper

For Picquet Major Gibbs

Inspector Captain Converse

The Commander in Chief desires that the General officer of the day may every morning exercise the Troops assembled on the Grand Parade in such manœuvres and Evolutions as he thinks most necessary to fit the men for immediate Service agreeable to the rules prescribed by the regulations for the discipline of the Army.

That the number may be more Respectable the Camp Guards of each brigade after being formed on their respective brigade Parades will march to the Grand Parade to be incorporated with the Picquets and other Guards usually formed there for Exercise.

Untill further Orders the Guards will be on the Grand Parade precisely at six o'clock A M the Adjutants who accompany the details from the different Brigades to the Grand Parade will remain with them until the Inspector for the day is satisfied that their Numbers are right and that the men are properly dressed and equipt for duty for which the Inspector who first formed them must be accountable.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Sunday, July 29, 1781.

Parole Bretagne. Countersigns Montpellier, Rochfort.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Colonel Butler

For Picquet Major Clift

Inspector Captain Remick

The Commander in Chief requests the Company of the Majors of the Picquet at dinner the day succeeding their tour of duty.

Commanding officers of Corps are desired to see that their Men are provided with stoppers for their Musquets.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, near Dobbs Ferry, Monday, July 30, 1781.

Parole Springfield. Countersigns Kingstreet, Horseneck.

For the Day tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Lieutenant Colonel C Smith

For Picquet Major Knapp

Inspector Captain Drew

The General observes that it has become a practice in the Army to send the Teams a considerable distance from Camp for the sake of Pasturage during the Night; as it is a circumstance

that runs directly counter to his intentions an effectual stop must be immediately put to it; and some plan adopted to furnish the Cattle with Forage at their respective stations there to remain from Retreat beating until Guard mounting in the morning; when they may be returned to Pasture or continued upon Forage as Circumstances may require.

Untill further Orders the Troop is to beat a quarter of an hour after five o'clock for which reason the Music will not practice in the morning until the Grand Parade is dismissed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Tuesday, July 31, 1781.

Parole Montmorency. Countersigns Strasburgh, Havre.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Howe

Lieutenant Colonel Mellen

For Picquet Major Keith

Inspector Captain Smith

The Light Companies of the first and second regiments of New York (upon their arrival in Camp) with the two companies of York Levies under command of Captains Sackett and Williams⁷ will form a Battalion under command of Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton and Major Fish.

After the formation of the Battalion Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton will join the Advanced Corps under the Orders of Colonel Scammell.

At a Division General Court Martial held by order of Major General Lincoln whereof Colonel Putnam was President.

John Howley, Private in the seventh Massachusetts regiment, charged with "Desertion" was tried found guilty, and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence but from the late good behaviour of the Army he is induced to pardon him,

7. Capts. William Sackett and Daniel Williams.

expecting his future behaviour will be such as may justify this Act of Clemency.

The Brigade Quarter Masters and Conductors and the regimental Clothiers are called on to deliver in person at the Adjutant General's Office at Orderly time tomorrow an exact account of every Article in their several Departments delivered to and return'd by the different regiments they act for, between the time of making the Last Returns before the Army moved to Peekskill and this day inclusive.

The Brigade Commissaries will at the same time deliver a Return of the number of Rations issued to each regiment between the first of June last, and this day inclusive distinguishing the number drawn in June and that in July.

The Assistant Inspector General will himself superintend the Mustering and inspecting the Regiments of Infantry now in Camp on the following days and in the following order vizt. August 2d. A. M: the first and second Connecticut and first Massachusetts regiments. P. M: second Massachusetts, first New Hampshire and third Massachusetts regiments. August 3d. A. M: the fifth and fourth Connecticut and seventh Massachusetts regiments. P. M: the eighth Massachusetts second New Hampshire and Ninth Massachusetts regiments. August 4th A. M: The third Connecticut, Olneys, and fourth Massachusetts regiments. P. M: the fifth, tenth, and sixth Massachusetts regiments.

The Muster rolls and other accounts are to be prepared accordingly and the regiments excused duty on the days on which they are Mustered.

The Regimental Quarter masters will be provided with Inventories of the several Articles delivered by them and supposed to be in the possession of the Field and staff officers and the different Companies of their respective regiments as they are all to be produced at the time of Inspection.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, near Dobbs Ferry, Wednesday, August 1, 1781.

Parole—. Countersign—.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Lieutenant Colonel Sherman

For Picquet Major Morrell¹³

Inspector Robinson¹⁴

At a General Court Martial whereof Colonel Putnam is President.

Micajah Fay a Soldier in the 5th. Massachusetts regiment, and William Connor a soldier of the 3d. Massachusetts regiment, both charged with “Desertion” were tried and found guilty of a breach of Article 1st, Section 6th of the Rules and Articles of War and sentenced each to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

John Car of the Seventh and Whitney Shanway of the Eighth Massachusetts regiments, both Charged with “Desertion” were tried and found Guilty as above and sentenced each to receive Fifty Lashes on his naked back.

Mark Noble a soldier charged with “Desertion” from the first Massachusetts regiment and reenlisting in the Rhode Island Regiment was tried, found guilty of a breach of the first and third Articles Section 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

Sterling Heath of the second New Hampshire regiment, John Smith and Stephen Atkinson of the first New Hampshire regiment charged with “Desertion and attempting to go to the enemy”

13. Major Amos Morrill (Morrell), of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He was retained in the First New Hampshire Battalion in March, 1782, and served to the close of the war.

14. Capt. Caleb Robinson, of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He was made brigade inspector in July, 1781, and major in October, 1781; retired in March, 1782.

being convicted, were sentenced each of them to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

James Whitmore soldier in the first New Hampshire Regiment, charged with “Desertion” was tried, convicted and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

At the same Court, Ensign Samuel Thompson of the first New Hampshire regiment, charged with “Overstaying his furlough upwards of fifteen months and neglecting and refusing to rejoin his regiment when notified and required so to do by the commanding officer of his regiment, was tried agreeably to a Resolve of Congress of December 6th 1779 respecting absent officers.

The Court are of opinion the charge against Ensign Samuel Thompson is supported and do sentence him to be cashier'd.

The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing sentences and orders them to be carried into execution immediately.

The prohibitions against plundering any species of Property from the inhabitants of the Country however unfriendly they may be have been repeated so frequently and in such positive terms that

the General flatters himself there is no occasion to give any further cautions to the Army on this subject; but he has been inform'd that some of the followers of the Army and Volunteers not under the orders of any officers have taken advantage of the Position and movement of the Army in some instances to seize the Property of the inhabitants for their own use.

In order, to prevent such practices in future and to be in a situation of rendering service to their Country All Volunteers are to be formed into Companies under the Command of an Officer or Officers appointed by the Authority of their State or the Election of the Company: such Officers will report themselves and the State of their Commands to the Adjutant General.

Any persons (except such as comply with the foregoing regulation) found with or without Arms in the front flank or Rear of the army who cannot give a good account of themselves are to be apprehended and committed to the Provost.

Whenever any Cattle or horses are taken in action or recaptured in any manner from the Enemy they are in the first instance to be produced to the Waggon master General of the American Army who will take a description of them in writing, noting particularly their natural and Artificial marks: He will keep possession of them untill he has reported the matter to the Quarter master General and received his instructions.

All applications of people who have Lost Cattle or horses and suppose them to have been retaken are to be made to the Waggon master General whose Register will supersede the necessity of their being permitted to go in search after them through the different Encampments.

The three persons who have been engaged to remain with the Guards to discriminate Characters and to give Passes are to attend at the Orderly Office tomorrow morning.

One of the retained Guides will continue constantly with the advanced Corps and may be sent with the scouting Parties whenever the Commanding officer thinks proper.

EVENING ORDERS

The Court Martial whereof Colonel Henry Jackson is president will assemble tomorrow morning at 10 o'Clock for the trial of Lieutenant Bliss¹⁵ of the Artillery.

All Evidences and persons concerned are requested to attend.

An Orderly Serjeant from each Division and one from the Artillery to attend the Court.

15. Lieut. Joseph Bliss, of the Third Continental Artillery. He was transferred to the Artillery Corps in June, 1783; paymaster of same in January, 1784; served to June, 1784.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs's Ferry, Thursday, August 2, 1781.

Parole Calais. Countersigns Rouen, Rheims.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Lieutenant Colonel Newhall²⁰

For Picquet Major B. Porter²¹

Inspector Captain Warner²²

The General has reason to believe that it is too common a practice in the line of the Army to withhold cloathing from men serving in detached Corps and in some instances not to pay the least attention to them particularly in the distribution of small supplies. He cannot refrain from expressing his disapprobation of this Line of Conduct and requests commanding officers of regiments in future to attend to their men on detached services that their supplies of cloathing &ca.

be equal to those immediately serving with their respective regiments as a contrary line of Conduct in future cannot with propriety pass unnoticed.

The Report of the Officer of the day mentions his observing a very wanton and unnecessary destruction of the Cornfields in the vicinity of the Camp. The General considers it extraordinary that notwithstanding the repeated and very pointed orders upon the subject that this circumstance is not more particularly attended to.

If anything of the kind should hereafter be observed the officer of the day is requested to investigate the matter and if it should appear to proceed from the inattention of an officer he is to be immediately reported, and if a soldier confined and with severity punished.

Brigade Waggon masters and Conductors are to be particularly attentive that the Horses and Cattle under their immediate care are not permitted to range at large; as they will be considered answerable for any devastation that they may commit upon the Property of the Inhabitants.

20. Lieut. Col. Ezra Newhall.

21. Maj. Billy Porter.

22. Capt. Robert Warner, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was appointed major in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

Brigadier General Hand having reported that from this day's experience he finds it impossible to muster and inspect the Number of regiments directed in the order of the 31st. ultimo, the Division and Brigade Inspectors will be pleased to take the musters of the regiments they are attached to on the days then appointed, or sooner if the rolls are ready leaving the Inspection untill the Assistant Inspector General can attend which he is desired to do as soon as he possibly can. This Delay of Inspection will cause no alteration in the Inspection rolls as articles received or returned since the 31st. of July are not to be comprehended.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, August 3, 1781.

Parole Weathersfield. Countersigns Danbury, Newtown.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Lieutenant Colonel Badlam

For Picquet Major Spurr

Inspector Captain Converse

Lewis Seely, Matross in the second regiment of Artillery, Benjamin Harley and Robert Barber, Matrosses in the third regiment of Artillery having been confined in the Provost guard at West Point and under sentence of Death since the 28th. of May last the execution of which for some very material reasons has been postponed. The Commander in Chief ever ready and willing to extend Mercy to Offenders when there is room to imagine that his Lenity will not be abused and being convinced from the good Conduct of the Troops that an example is not necessary and the Prisoners being favored with the recommendation of their officers thinks proper to extend his Pardon to Lewis Seely, Benjamin Harley and Robert Barber hoping

that this instance of his Lenity will have the effect intended and not only be a check to any future impropriety but induce them to act hereafter as becomes the Character of good Soldiers.

The Commanding Officer at West Point will order them released and to return to their duty.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry,

Saturday, August 4, 1781.

Parole Picardy. Countersigns Chantilly, Rochelle.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Lieutenant Colonel Johnston

For Picquet Major Maxwell³⁰

Inspector Captain Remick

The Waggon Master General is to make an immediate return of all Horses and Oxen employed in his Department including the riding horses.

The Quarter Masters of Brigades and separate Corps are to make Returns of all Horses therein and of the names (and ranks if officers) of the persons by whom they are kept excepting those belonging to the Waggon Department.

These Returns are to be made to the Quarter Master General on Monday next. In every case the Public and Private Property are to be distinguished as well as the riding from the draught horses. By that day the Quarter Master General will ascertain the Numbers of Horses kept by all General and Staff officers not attached to Brigades or separate Corps. Every Horse kept by any person belonging to or following the American Army not included

30. Maj. Hugh Maxwell, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant colonel of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in August, 1782; transferred to the Third Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

in these returns which shall after the time abovementioned be found within the Limits of the Camp or between the Camp and Croton river is to be delivered to the Waggon Master General and employed for the public Service.

No draught or waggon horse is not to be rode on any pretence whatever unless when sent after Forage or to water; any person found riding such horse on any other occasion will be tried by a court martial and punished for disobedience of orders.

Until further Orders General DuPortail's Guard to be furnished from the Corps of Sappers and Miners.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Sunday, August 5, 1781.

Parole Philadelphia. Countersigns Derby, Chester.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Heath

Lieutenant Colonel Fernald

For Picquet Major Oliver

Inspector Captain Drew.³¹

No Person excepting those belonging to the Army is to come into Camp from the country above or northward of the Camp but by the following roads vizt.

No. 1 The road by Storm's bridge along the Saw mill river.

“ 2 The road from Young's to the road leading from Dobbs ferry to the White Plains.

3 The road directly from the White Plains to Camp crossing the river at the Bridge under Chattiton's hill.

The following persons will be appointed to be constantly at the respective stations hereafter mentioned whose business it shall be to examine the persons passing and if they find them to be of suspicious or dangerous characters they are to be detained until reported to the General of

31. Capt. Seth Drew, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed major of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

day and further inquiry had. People who are innocently bringing refreshments to camp to be encouraged.

Mr. Isaac Requa will be stationed at Storm's bridge on the road No. 1.

Mr. Joseph Paulding will be stationed on the road No. 2 to Young's, at the first intersection of it by the road from Tarrytown.

Mr. Eden Hunt will be stationed at the Bridge above mentioned on Brunks river near Chattiton's hill road No. 3.

A Commissioned Officer will be posted at each of the foregoing places who will give the following short ticket to such persons as he permits to pass into Camp:

Storm's bridge 1781. No.1 The Bearer is AB.

Any person found in Camp not belonging to the army without such a ticket is to be taken up as a Spy and conducted to the General of the day.

A Corporal and six men to be at each of the above stations to assist the Gentlemen above mentioned in the execution of their duty.

Three Copies of each of the above mentioned Gentlemen's Tickets should be given to the General and Field Officers of the day that they may not be deceived by Counterfeits those to be handed over to the succeeding officers of the day.

Brigadier General Waterbury will adopt the same line of Conduct on the road leading from the Country to his incampment.

The Rear Guard on the North River road will suffer no persons except such as belong or are attached to the Army to enter the Camp by that route.

Ensign D. Fonda³² of the first New York regiment is appointed Adjutant to the light Corps commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton.

Two Hundred men to be draughted from the Line to assist Colonel Lutterloh a few days in collecting Forage, they will receive orders at his Quarters tomorrow morning eight o'clock.

The General Court Martial of which Colonel Putnam is President will assemble tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Monday, August 6, 1781.

Parole Marseilles. Countersigns Toulon, Nantz.

For the Day tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Lieutenant Colonel Hull

For Picquet Major Woodbridge⁴⁷

Inspector Captain Smith.⁴⁸

32. Ensign Douw J. Fonday (Fonda). He served to June, 1783.

47. Maj. Theodore Woodbridge, of the Second Connecticut Regiment. He was brigade major and inspector from June, 1779, to July, 1781, and retired in January, 1783.

48. Capt. John Kilby(?) Smith, of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Tuesday, August 7, 1781.

Parole—.Countersigns—.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Lincoln

Colonel Groaton

For Picquet Major Smith⁵⁰

Inspector Captain Robinson⁵¹

The officers commanding Wings will direct the slaughtering places of the several Brigades to be removed as far as they possibly can be consistent with the convenience and safety from the Line of Encampment.

The Vaults are to be regularly covered every day and all bones and putrid meat burned or buried, in short nothing which can contribute to the wholesomeness of the Camp ought to be neglected at this Season.

It is expected that the officers of Police will particularly attend to the execution of these orders.

50. Maj. David Smith, of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment. He was brigade major and brigade inspector from May, 1779, to July, 1781; transferred to the Second Connecticut Regiment in January, 1783; served to June, 1783.

51. Capt. Caleb Robinson, of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. He was made brigade inspector in July, 1781; major in October, 1781; retired in March, 1782.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Wednesday, August 8, 1781.

MORNING ORDERS

Major General Howe to be officer of the day vice Major General Lincoln absent.

Parole Languedoc. Countersigns Alsace, Amiens.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Parsons

Colonel Swift

For Picquet Major Trescot

Inspector Captain Warner

At a General Court Martial of the Line held at Camp near Dobbs Ferry July 28th. whereof Colonel Henry Jackson is President.

Captain Livermore⁶⁶ of the first New Hampshire regiment appeared before the Court charged as follows vizt.

First: Threatening and insulting Major Murnan of the Corps of Engineers; his superior officer, in a most outrageous manner when in the execution of his duty.

Second: Striking him with his own Espoon and after having broken that with striking him with that of another officer whereby he received a wound and was otherwise injured.

The Court having maturely considered the first charge against Captain Livermore, the Testimony and his defence are of opinion that it is fully supported in the instance of Captain Livermore without provocation in the presence of several officers and soldiers having threatened Major Murnan being his superior officer and in service at the same Post with him as an Engineer, with kicking him in case he should again Kick any of the soldiers being a breach of part Article 5th. Section 18th. of the Rules and Articles of War.

66. Capt. David Livermore. He was dismissed in August, 1781; was reinstated the same month; retired in March, 1782.

The Court with respect to the second Charge are of opinion that the facts stated in it did take place but as it appears from the general face of the Testimony that Major Murnan recommenced the dispute in the instances to which those facts refer and did the first act of hostility they acquit Captain Livermore of any criminality in these Cases.

The Court for the Charge they have found Captain Livermore guilty of do sentence him to be dismissed from the service.

The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing Sentence and thinks it necessary to declare to prevent disputes in future that the officers of the Corps of Engineers not only according to Military rule in other services but by a Resolve of Congress of the 11th. of March 1779 and a General Order of the 6th. of June last shall take Rank and enjoy the same Rights Honors and priveleges with those of other troops on Continental Establishment. Hence it follows that if an Officer of Engineers detached to construct a work or upon other duty should be elder than the officer commanding the working or covering party he may command him in all Cases whatever; should he on the contrary be younger he can only point out to the officer commanding the Party what ought to be done; and if he refuses to execute it he may report him to the Commander in Chief or commanding officer of the detachment with which they are serving.

The above Principles apply to all officers whether of Infantry, Artillery, Engineers or Cavalry when serving together.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobb's Ferry, Thursday, August 9, 1781.

MORNING ORDERS

Brigadier General Glover is appointed General Officer of this day vice Major General Parsons absent.

Parole Kingston. Countersigns Warwick, Ringwood.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Colonel Webb

For Picquet Major Gibbs

Inspector Captain Converse.

At a General Court martial held at Camp August the 7th. whereof Colonel Putnam is President Captain Abner Dow, of the 9th Massachusetts regiment charged with “not joining his regiment when ordered so to do by the Commanding officer of the regiment” was tried agreeably to a Resolve of Congress of December 6th. 1779 respecting absent officers.

The Court on Consideration are of opinion that Captain Dow has been absent from his regiment without Leave since his regiment accordingly or to give satisfactory reasons for his since been properly notified and directed to join his regiment agreeably to the Resolve of Congress of December 6th. 1779 respecting Absent Officers and that he has neglected to join his regiment accordingly or to give satisfactory reasons for his continuance of absence.

They therefore Sentence that he be cashiered.

The Commander in Chief approves the foregoing Sentence.

At the same Court August 6th. 1781 John Frazer, Matross in Colonel Lamb's regiment of Artillery charged with “Inlisting into the Rhode Island regiment without having obtained a discharge from said regiment of Artillery and afterwards deserting from the Rhode Island regiment” was tried and found Guilty of a breach of Articles 1st. and 3rd of the Rules and Articles of war and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare back.

Corporal Samuel Gray, of the second Connecticut regiment charged with “Desertion and reinlisting in the Massachusetts line” was tried found Guilty of a Breach of Articles 1st. and 3rd of the Rules and Articles of War and sentenced to do the duty of a private Centinel and to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked back.

Corporal John Chace, of the first New York regiment Charged with “Desertion and reinlisting in the Rhode Island Regiment” was tried and found Guilty as above and sentenced to do the duty of a private Centinel and to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked back.

Joseph Ross, a Soldier of the late fifth Connecticut Regiment charged with “Desertion and reinlisting in Colonel Sheldon's regiment of Light dragoons was tried found Guilty as above and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his naked Back.

Peter Moore, Matross in Colonel Crane's regiment of Artillery charged with “Stealing Six Guineas and a Silver watch out of the pocket of a french soldier when asleep,” was tried.

The Court on consideration are of opinion the charge against Peter Moore is not supported.

The Commander in Chief Approves the foregoing sentences and orders them to take place.

Peter Moore to be released from Confinement.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Friday, August 10, 1781.

Parole Versailles. Countersigns Dunkirk, Brest.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

vice Brigr. Huntington

Colonel Tupper

For Picquet Major Clift

Inspector Captain Remick

At a General Court Martial held at Westpoint, July 19th. Edmund Burke, a Soldier in the first New York regiment charged with “being concerned in the mutiny at Albany on the 6th ultimo”

was found guilty, being a breach of Article 3rd. Section 2nd. of the rules and Articles of War and Sentenced to suffer Death.

At the same Court July 21st. Garret Lansing, soldiers in the 1st. New York regiment charged.

First “with Desertion and joining the Enemy, secondly with Changing his Name to John Johnston and reinlisting in the Massachusetts line” was found guilty being a breach of the 1 and 3rd Articles Section 6th. of the Rules and Articles of War and sentenced to suffer Death.

The Commander in Chief Approves the foregoing sentences and orders that against Edmund Burke to be carried into execution. But is pleased to remit the Sentence against Lansing who is to be released from Confinement.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Saturday, August 11, 1781.

Parole Baltimore. Countersigns Trenton, Sussex.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Heath

Colonel Butler

For Picquet Major Knapp⁷⁵

Inspector Captain Drew⁷⁶

The Guard at Dobbs ferry is to be relieved daily and is to be visited by the officers of the day who will likewise visit the whole chain of guards from the North river to where our picquets join those of the French Camp.

While the Army remains in its present position Colonel Sheldon will consider himself under the immediate command of Colonel Scammell.

75. Maj. Moses Knapp, of the Tenth Massachusetts Regiment. He was transferred to the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

76. Capt. Seth Drew.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Sunday, August 12, 1781.

Parole Provence. Countersigns Paris, Passy.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

vice M. G. Lord Stirling

Lieutenant Colonel Smith

For Picquet Major Keith⁸¹

Inspector Captain Smith⁸²

The Non commissioned Officers and Soldiers to be served with a Gill of Rum per Man this afternoon.

GENERAL ORDERS

Monday, August 13, 1781.

Parole Newhaven. Countersigns Fairfield, Stratford.

For the Day Tomorrow

Major General Howe

Lieutenant Colonel Millen⁸⁴

For Picquet Major Ashley⁸⁵

Inspector Captain Warner⁸⁶

vice Robinson⁸⁷

The Commander in Chief having been informed that various practices have been made use of by the officers of one regiment to inlist for the War men who are engaged for three years in another.

He thinks proper to direct that a stop may be put to such mode of proceeding, but at the same time recommends to the officers to endeavour to engage for the War those men in their own regiments whose services are for any other term without burthring the Continent with any additional expence for their enlistment. By these means the public service will be equally benefitted and the internal arrangement and level of regiments will be preserved.

Two Dragoons from Colonel Sheldon's regiment are to mount daily with the Guard at Dobbs ferry and are to be dispatched by the officer to the General Officer of the day and to Colonel Scammell with intelligence.

81. Maj. James Keith, of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment. He retired in January, 1783.

82. Capt. David Smith.

84. Lieut. Col. James Mellen (Millen), of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. He was appointed lieutenant colonel commandant of the Third Massachusetts Regiment in January, 1783, and served to June, 1783.

85. Maj. Moses Ashley.

86. Capt. Robert Warner, of the First Connecticut Regiment. He was made major in May, 1782, and retired in January, 1783.

87. Capt. Caleb Robinson.

Captain Bleeker⁸⁸ of the first New York regiment is appointed to do the duty of Inspector to the Light troops under the Command of Colonel Scammell.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Tuesday, August 14, 1781.

Parole Normandy. Countersigns Burgundy, Champagne.

For the day Tomorrow

Major General Parson

Lieutenant Colonel Sherman

For Picquet Major Morrell

Inspector Captain Converse

A Fatigue party of one hundred men under proper officers (for three days) are to parade tomorrow morning at 6 o'clock at Commissary Irwin's Quarters. They will take their orders from Colonel Gouvion. The Quarter Master General will furnish them with Fascine Hatchets.

GENERAL ORDERS

Wednesday, August 15, 1781.

Parole Staten Island. Countersigns Springfield, Chatham.

For the Day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Glover

Lieutenant Colonel Newhall

For Picquet Major B. Porter

Inspector Captain Remick

88. Capt. Leonard Bleeker. He was brigade major under Lafayette from May to October, 1781, and served to November, 1783.

The Army will hold itself in the most perfect readiness to move at the shortest notice.

Colonel Scammell's detachment is to be immediately completed to its original establishment by men every way qualified to act as Light Infantry; and any men now in the corps who do not answer that description are to be changed without delay. Colonel Scammell will make application to the different corps for their deficiencies and the exchange of such of the men as are unfit for the service he is employed on.

Colonel Gouvion being on Court Martial Captain Rachfontaine will give the necessary directions for the employment of the working party ordered yesterday.

The General Court Martial whereof Colonel Putnam is President is dissolved and another ordered to assemble tomorrow morning 10 o'clock at the President's Marquee, or such place as he may direct for the trial of all such Prisoners as shall come before them. Colonel Swift will Preside. Lieutenant Colonel C. Smith, Major Oliver, two Captains from the first Connecticut, two from the second Connecticut, one from the first Massachusetts, two from the second, one from the third and two from the New Hampshire Brigades will attend as Members. All Evidences and Persons concerned to attend. An orderly serjeant from each Division to be sent to the court daily.

Thomas Dean, Esqr. will take Post at Storm's bridge vice I. Requa, and Joseph Youngs Esqr. will be posted at the bridge near Chattiton's hill instead of Eden Hunt mentioned in the orders of the 5th instant.

AFTER ORDERS

A Working party consisting of a Sub, two serjeants, two Corporals and Thirty privates from Van Schaick's regiment and a like Party from the regiment of Hazen will assemble on their respective parades with their arms and one days Provisions tomorrow morning at eight o'clock: They will receive their Instructions from the Quarter Master General.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs ferry, Thursday, August 16, 1781.

Parole Ostend. Countersigns Brussels, Dunkirk.

For the day Tomorrow

Brigadier General Patterson

Lieutenant Colonel Badlam

For Picquet Major Spurr

Inspector Captain Drew

Lieutenant Colonel Johnson is appointed for the day tomorrow vice Lieutenant Colonel Badlam indisposed.

GENERAL ORDERS

Friday, August 17, 1781.

Parole Kingsbridge. Countersigns Westchester, Morrisania.

For the day tomorrow

Brigadier General Huntington

Lieutenant Colonel Fernald

For Picquet Major Olney

Inspector Captain Smith

At a General Court Martial whereof Colonel Jackson is President Lieutenant Bliss¹² of the Artillery was tried for "Contemptuous Behavior to Captain Jackson of the 3d. regiment of Artillery while he was officer of the day." found Guilty of the charge exhibited against him in the instance of not saluting Captain Jackson on the Brigade Parade when he was officer of the day and Lieutenant Bliss of the guard being a breach of part of Article 5th. Section 18th. of the rules and Articles of War and do Sentence him to be reprimanded in general orders.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence.

He should not have thought Lieutenant Bliss censurable in so high a degree had he omitted to salute the officer of the day because he doubted the propriety of the measure; but as it appears from the proceedings that the refusal arose from a personal pique to Captain Jackson the General finds himself obliged to express his disapprobation of his Conduct upon that occasion.

Lieutenant Bliss is released from his Arrest.

Agreeable to the ordinance for the Appointment of the Regimental Staff the following Gentlemen of the 5th. Massachusetts regiment are to be obeyed and respected in the respective lines hereafter mentioned vizt.

Lieutenant Henry Marble,¹³ Adjutant from the first day of February last, vice Lieutenant Smith, resigned.

Lieutenant Park Holland,¹⁴ Paymaster from the 25th of April last, vice Captain Lieutenant Stone,¹⁵ promoted.

Lieutenant Ivory Holland,¹⁶ Quartermaster from the 25th. of April last, vice Lieutenant Park Holland, appointed Paymaster.

12. Lieut. Joseph Bliss, of the Third Continental Artillery. He was paymaster of the Corps of Artillery in January, 1784, and served to June, 1784.

13. Of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He served to June, 1783.

14. He served to June, 1783.

15. Capt.-Lieut. Jonathan Stone, of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He ranked as captain from April, 1781, and retired in January, 1781.

16. Of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment. He served to June, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs Ferry, Saturday, August 18, 1781.

Parole Calais. Countersigns Rouen, Ghent.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Heath

Colonel Greateon

For Picquet Major Maxwell³⁰

Inspector Captain Warner

At a General Court Martial held in the Jersey Brigade at Dobbs ferry August 15th. 1781 of which Major Hollinshead was President.

William Clark, soldier in the first Jersey regiment charged with "Sleeping on his Post" was tried found Guilty and sentenced to suffer Death, agreeably to the 6th. Article 13th. Section of the Rules and Articles of War.

The Commander in Chief approves the sentence.

At a Board of General Officers of the American army, held by Adjournment the 17th. instant to consider a dispute of rank between Colonel Swift and Webb of the Connecticut Line.

The Board report their opinion that Colonel Swift ought to take rank of Colonel Webb.

The Commander in Chief approves the opinion of the Board.

Major John Porter³¹ will please to relieve Major Olney³² and take command of the Picquets this afternoon.

30. Maj. Hugh Maxwell, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment. He was made lieutenant colonel of the Eighth Massachusetts Regiment in August, 1782; transferred to the Third Massachusetts Regiment in June, 1783; served to November, 1783.

31. Of the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment He was discharged in October, 1782.

32. Maj. Coggeshall Olney, of Olney's Rhode Island battalion. He served to March, 1783.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters near Dobbs ferry, Sunday, August 19, 1781.

Parole White Plains. Countersigns Northcastle, Pinesbridge.

For the day tomorrow

Major General Lord Stirling

Colonel Putnam

For Picquet Major Woodbridge

Inspector Captain Converse

Two Companies each to consist of a Captain, two Subs four Serjeants and Fifty Rank and File, are to be immediately formed from the Connecticut Line and join the Light troops under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton it is expected that the companies will be composed of good men engaged either for the War or three years.

Major Gibbs is to join the Battalion of Light infantry commanded by Colonel Vose in the room of Major Galvan whose bad Health obliged him to leave that corps.

Lieutenant Colonel Grosvenor is appointed to do the duty of Deputy Adjutant General to the Troops placed under the immediate command of Major General Heath.

The General Court Martial of which Colonel H. Jackson is President will assemble at Peekskill on Thursday next. It is expected the most punctual attention will be paid to this order.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, King's Ferry, Wednesday, August 22, 1781.

Parole Rochambeau. Countersigns Viomenil, Chattellux.

That part of the Orders of the 19th. of June last which relates to the Transportation of Baggage is so explicit that the General thinks it unnecessary to add anything on the Subject.

Yet as the Detachment now under the particular direction of Major General Lincoln are to consider themselves as Light-troops who are always supposed to be fit for action and free from every incumbrance. He cannot help advising them to take the present opportunity of depositing at West Point such of their Women as are not able to undergo the fatigue of frequent marches and also every article of Baggage which they can in any wise dispence with and expects that Major General Lincoln and the Officers commanding Corps will pay particular attention to this seasonable admonition as they will thereby (in all probability) avoid evils which cannot be hereafter remedied though they may now be prevented.

As great inconveniencies have arisen in the transportation of Baggage from officers commanding regiments procuring a greater number of waggons than is their proportion and from not having the Tents and baggage of the officers conveyed in different Waggons from those that carry the

Soldiers tents, to prevent such irregularities in future the Commander in Chief directs the following allowance of Waggons vizt.

To the Field Officer of a regiment, one covered waggon

To the regimental Staff Captains and Subs: two covered and one open waggons

To every hundred men one open Waggon.

And particularly enjoins it on commanding officers of regiments and corps to see that the tents and Baggage of the officers are convey'd in their proper Waggons and the Waggon Master General is directed to throw away any officers baggage that he finds loaded in those Waggons that are appropriated for the Soldiers Tents.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Haverstraw, Friday, August 24, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

A Subaltern from Colonel Van Schaicks regiment will join the Light Infantry under Colonel Scammell to do the duty of Quarter Master in that corps.

GENERAL ORDERS

Head Quarters, Chatham, Tuesday, August 28, 1781.

Parole—. Countersigns—.

At a General Court Martial whereof Colonel Henry Jackson was President, Major Murnan⁹⁶ of the Corps of Engineers was tried on the following charges: 1st. Attacking a Centinel upon his Post, being in the execution of his duty, with a drawn sword, threatening his Life, spitting in his face, and otherwise abusing and insulting him on the twenty fifth of July last at Dobbs ferry. 2d. Attempting

to take away a boat which was under the care of the Centinel at the abovementioned time. 3d. For unofficer and ungentlemanlike behavior.

The instances exhibited under this charge were the following: 1st. Attacking Lieutenant Willard⁹⁷ on the road, demanding his horse, drawing his sword, and at that instant seizing the Bridle and ordering him to dismount, in 1779. 2d. Deceiving Colonel Badlam in detaining a Taylor of his regiment and refusing to let him return to his regiment though requested last winter. 3d. Attacking Major Bauman's servant with a drawn sword and attempting to take away the wood belonging to the Major's family either in 1780 or 81. 4th. Striking a Soldier belonging to Colonel Swift's regiment with a Club whereby his life was endangered, in 1778.

96. Mal. Jean Bernard Guthier de Murnans.

97. Lieut. Jonathan Willard, of the First New Hampshire Regiment. He had been wounded at Stillwater, N.Y., in September, 1777, and resigned in April, 1782.

5th. Attempting to take command of Major Woodbridge, his senior officer, and of a working party under his command without ever enquiring the date of his commission and contrary to a general order of July 20th. For calling Captain Livermore a damned rascal, telling him he would cut off his Nose, drawing his sword and attempting to stab him with it, being in the execution of his duty.

The Court having maturely considered the charges against Major Murnan, the Evidence, and his defence are of opinion with respect to the first charge that he drew his sword on the Centry while he was in the execution of his Duty; spit in his face and otherwise insulted and abused him on the 25th. of July last at Dobbs ferry being a breach of part of Article 5th. Section 18th. of the Rules and Articles of War: They do acquit him of the remainder of the Facts contained in this Charge.

They are of opinion that the second Charge is not supported and do acquit him of it.

They do acquit him of Unofficer and Ungentlemanlike behavior in his Conduct respecting Major Woodbridge. With respect to his Conduct in the instances concerning Captain Livermore they find

the following Facts: 1st. That he called Captain Livermore a damned rascal. 2d. That he told him he would cut off his Nose. 3d. That he drew his sword upon him: and

4th. That he made a pass at him when Captain Livermore was in a posture of defence, and in service at the same Post with him commanding a fatigue Party.

They acquit him of any Guilt in the two first instances as the Provocation from Captain Livermore excused the warmth of the expressions which then ensued being in the morning; but they find him Guilty of Unofficerlike behavior in the two latter instances; inasmuch as he in the afternoon unnecessarily revived a quarrel which had subsided in the morning, in the presence of a number of officers and soldiers and to the interruption of Service, being a Breach of part of Article 5th. Section 18th. of the Rules and Articles of War: they acquit him of ungentlemanlike behavior in these instances for the reason assigned with respect to the two first.

For the charges the Court have found Major Murnan Guilty of they do sentence him to be dismissed from the Service.

The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion of the Court, but as some of the most aggravated Charges (however they might have appeared to the Court) do not seem to him to be clearly supported by the Testimony exhibited in the course of the Trial He is pleased to restore Major Murnan to his former Rank.

In consequence of the warm Recommendation in favor of Captain Livermore, and of the fair Conduct he has ever sustained as an Officer and a Gentleman the Commander in Chief is induced (notwithstanding the impropriety of his Conduct on the 25th. of July) to restore him to his Rank and Command. The Court Martial whereof Colonel H. Jackson was President, is dissolved.