

An abstract of Provisions Issued to one Surgeon and four Spies ordered unto service by his Excellency the Governor from the second Brigade of the second Divison of the militia of Georgia at Fort Republick under the contract of Benajah Smith Esq^r for the month of July 1794 --

	N ^o Men	N ^o days	Am ^t rations	Extra liquor
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I do hereby certify that I have compared the above abstract with the provision Returns & Receipts in my possession and that there appears to have been Issued to the Above Surgeon & spies one hundred and eighty four compleat Rations & one hundred and eighty eight extra half gils Liquor given under my hand this 31st July 1794 --

W^m Melton Lt Colo.
Green Cty

(Reverse) July 1794
Abstract of Provisions
184 Rations
188 Extra Liquor
Col^o Melton
State
N^o 5

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Fort Fidius
10th August 1794.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your excellency's letter of the thirtieth of last month.

I am extremely sorry Sir, that the muster and payrolls of the militia have not been correctly made out - forms and instructions relatively thereto were given in time; and I believe M^r Dorsey has exerted himself to have them completed - I should be more anxious upon this Subject, if Congress were now in Session, but as the rolls cannot be paid without their Sanction if they can be transmitted before the next Session, they will be in Season - there shall not however any thing be wanting, on my part, to expedite this business.

Nothing detains me Sir, at present - but not having received the money which has been transmitted for the pay of the troops - I should have been in Augusta three weeks ago, had it not been for this circumstance M^r Mathews told Doc^t. Farley, who was sent to him purposely, that he would inform me as soon as he should receive this money - I will write to M^r Habersham relatively thereto - I am particularly desirous that it should come to hand as there is included the pay for a detachment of militia dragoons which were called into Service by Major Call.

Cap^t. Dickinson is to erect certain posts below - he goes from hence in a few days - If your excellency should have ordered any of block houses to be built, contemplated in the letter of the Secretary of War, dated the fourteenth of May - I shall request Colonel Gaither to direct Captain Dickinson to muster the garrisons thereof agreeably to instructions which I shall give him for the purpose - But it will be necessary that I should be acquainted with

their position, and distance from each other.

I have the honor to be
with great respect

Your Excellency's

Most obedient
humble Servant
Constant Freeman

His Excellency
the governor of Georgia.

Letter
Constant Freeman

AWD
10 August 1794
Ordered to be field
A.W.D. 15 Instant

Savannah 12th August 1794

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you the Copy of a Communication to Major Habersham of this date the substance of which I expect he will lay before the Secretary at War, As it respects a Matter wherein the State as well as the Union are interested it might facilitate the arrangement if you were to Communicate with Gen: Knox also on the same business -- My intentions are to go from this Place immediately to Philadelphia, and if it shou'd be your wish to make any representations (and you think the time fixed for withdrawing the supplies a proper one) I hope it may be in your power to give Gen: Knox such reasons as will be Satisfactory to him that the Accounts ought to be chargeable to the United States untill the time they are withdrawn --

I shall only observe that as my Stay in Philadelphia will be short it will require an immediate attention for a letter to to reach him during my stay in that place --

I have the Honor to be with respect

Your Excellencys Mo: ob^t & very Hum: Serv^t

B. Smith Com^r

(Reverse) Letter

Benajah Smith

12 August 1794

ordered to be filed

16 Septem^r 1794

His Excellency,
George Matthew Esq^r
Augusta

Military

Rec^d 26 August

1794

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Savannah 12th August 1794

Sir

It has been painful for me to observe the difficulties that hath arisen in passing the Accounts for the Contract at your office which I am induced to believe could only happen for want of a perfect knowledge of the Circumstances which have taken place, or for want of a proper explanation - I beg leave therefore to lay the following representations before you which I flatter myself will have sufficient weight with you to suffer them to pass without alteration -- As far as relates to continuing the supply of the Provision & Forage to the State Troops beyond the time you think they ought to be withdrawn I shall observe that your letter of the 31st of March wherein the supplies were ordered to be discontinued did not reach me in Washington untill the 20th of April following, this may in some measure be attributed to the delay which took place at the post office in Savannah as it had two post marks the one dated 31st March & the other the 7th April which detained it two weeks longer than if it had been forwarded at the time it was lodged in the Office as the Post travells only once in two weeks longer than if it had been forwarded at the time it was lodged in the Office as the Post travells only once in two weeks from Augusta to Washington --

The Contents was communicated to the Governor in Augusta & his answer did not reach Washington untill the 30th April in the evening. Allowing a Sufficient time for information to be transmitted to the different Stations in the Neighbouring Frontier, and the Supplies of provisions then issued to be consumed. I can scarce doubt your concurring with me in Opinion that the supplies were withdrawn as soon as practicable - The supplies at the Southern frontier Posts it is true were continued to the last of May, but as those Posts from 200 to 250 miles distant from Washington and their situation being in a Country which in it self can afford neither supplies of Provision or Forage but have to Transport the whole from Savannah & of Course do lay in supplies to last for several weeks together, there cannot remain a doubt in my mind of your Sanctioning the issues at those places to the time they are brought forward -- The supplies of Capt Williamson's Troops in Franklin County had been furnished by order of the General Officers previous to the receipt of your letter upwards of one Month & must in my opinion be Comprehended under the former orders --

The Governor during the time which elapsed between withdrawing the Continental Supplies and the late arrangement, had directed the Spies to be continued on the Frontiers as heretofore, in Consequence of a letter from the secretary at war to his Predecessor Governor Telfair dated the 30th of May 1793 -- in Consequence of which I have regularly issued Supplies of provision and Forage - you will please inform whether or not those issued

will be admitted against the United States - You have herewith enclosed and estimate of the Accounts against the U. S. whereby a ballance appears due me of 13,236 Dollars, this may be wide of the Mark when the Vouchers are Collected, but as far as I can form a judgement the true amount will rather exceed than falls Short -- I have it in idea to go as far as Philadelphia & will be in want of Money there, it will be rendering me essential Service if you will direct it to be paid at the Treasury. -- I also inform that I will agree to furnish the Recruiting Parties, during the remainder of the Contract and wou'd also suggest the propriety of opening a Rendezvous at Washington where the Situation of the Country & the disposition of the people I think there is a greater probability of enlisting men than at any other place in the State

John Habersham Esq^r
Agent for Supplying
the Troops in Georgia

I am respectfully

Sir Your Mo: Ob^d st

B. Smith Com^r

(Copy)

(Reverse)

John Habersham Esq^r

Agent for Supplying the

Troops in the U. States in

Georgia

August 17. 1794

Sir,

Having received orders from General Glascock, to send forward a detachment of men from my Regiment for three months tour: Shall march them from the County on the 23^d Inst. to their different destinations they being already drafted for that purpose, and as there appears to be a very general uneasiness throughout the regiment respecting the period for which they are to serve: have therefore made free to apply to your Excellency for the privilege of relieving them in thirty days from the time of joining Camp, as there are a number of them who leave their family's in distressed situations

I am D^r Sir Your Excellency's ever
devoted friend and very Humble Servant

Jesse Sanders L C G R M

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(Reverse:) His Excellency

George Matthews Esq^r

to the care of) Augusta
Maj^r Moore)

Letter- Jesse Sanders

17 August 1794

Military

His Excellency Governor Mathews

Greenesborough August 23^d 1794

On my return to this place from Warford's Station &c I found the honor of your Excellency's communication of the 31st ut.^o the other papers and Instructions therewith annexed, by which I shall be entirely governed.

I have since informed Lieut. Col^o Gaither, that I was ordered by your Excellency, to receive his orders on any emergency that might occur.

I have delivered your Excellency's letter to Captain Owen Bowen, whose Detachment of militia Cavalry at the Highshoals was relieved by a Detachment of the Troop under my command on the 19^t inst.^t - According my arrangements the Detachment at Warford was to be relieved the same day, and I daily expect with return, the report it has been relieved thus - Lieut. Steavens & Cornett Willis having not yet joined, the Detachments at Warford and the Highshoals will be under command of two Serjeants. - It has been reported here that Cornett Willis will not accept his appointment, which has induced Lieut. Robert Montgomery, of Capt. Bowen's Troop, to act as Serjeant at Warford's; whilst, Should your Excellency have not already otherwise provided or have no one in view, he will be glad to be honored with the appointment of Cornett.

The person who has undertaken furnishing Supplies at Warford, together with the Dragoons who are there stationed and the inhabitants about that country, (among which Lieut. Col^o Jones) have requested me to petition your Excellency, that aforesaid

Detachment may be ordered to the Fort called the New Station - alledging that it will be much more central to Ward's and the new Hurricane Sheals: that the Supplies will not meet going there, with the difficulties they must incur to arrive at Warford &c &c I have promised I would mention it to your Excellency, therefore the liberty I have taken.

By M^r. Arch^d. Devereus I Send the mare your Excellency was pleased to lend me & for which favor I beg you will accept my most grateful thanks.

The men who composes this troop have been raised near about the posts where they are to do duty, so that they are generally well acquainted with the woods they are to range - they are generally well mounted - the greatest deficiency is the arms, which, tho' good, are not uniform, & thereby deprived of many advantages.

Should this establishment prove of any duration, I intend contracting with some manufacture in the Norward for the making of one hundred rifles with spring-bayonets & horsemen's pistols - with these Swords would not be wanting - Swords are often in the way of horsemen who are occasionally to dismount; besides, the underbrush, the limbs of trees are, in the woods, greatly impeding the use of Swords - I know of no arms so well adabted to the kind of Service we are engaged in as rifles with Spring bayonets & pistols - However, I shall attempt nothing till the setting of the assembly.

Please to receive the sincere assurance of the profound respect with which I have the honor to remain your Excellency's

Most humble & most obed^t. Serv^t.

Jonas Fauche Captain
militia Dragoons G. C.

(REVERSE)
His Excellency George Mathews
Governor &c &c
Augusta

Letter - Capt Fauche 23 Aug^t 1794 Answered See letter Book
30th instant Military

Savannah, August 25th 1794.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 2^d and 14th instant.

Ensign Voorhies, I am sorry to inform your Excellency, died on the 12th and the detachment in general were in a sickly state; so much so, that only a Serjeant and thirteen privates could go forward, after reserving another Serjeant and two or three privates to take care of the remaining sick; these will likewise go on as they become able to march. Cap^t Howell, of the Revenue Cutter, has just returned from Brunswick, and informs me, that the party were landed there by him on the 21st instant.

Cap^t Dickinson, of the Federal Troops, has also arrived from Fort Fidius, with some Artificers and a waggon with tools for the station at Carney's Cowpen. The swamps near the Alutamaha are so filled with water, that I am told it will be necessary to make a circuit out of the usual route, of at least forty miles in order to arrive at that river.

The inclosures for General Jackson and others were delivered and forwarded.

A British Frigate called the Quebec arrived at Tybee about the 18th instant. She had no communication with the Town, and put to sea again the 23^d instant.

I am, Sir, with great respect,
Your Excellency's
Most obedient Servant.

John Habersham.
Agent for supplying the Troops
in Geo^a.

His Excellency,
George Mathews, Governor & C^t of the State of Georgia.

(Reverse)

His Excellency,
George Mathews,
Governor and Commander in
Chief of the State of Georgia,
Augusta

12th

Letter
John Habersham
25th Aug^t 1794
Ordered to be filed
12 Septem^r 1794

Military

11th Sep^r 1794 --

S sir

I have Just received a letter from Lie^t Johnson who Com-
manded a detachment, from My Regiment, to Philip^s Mill on the
Appalacha, he had rote from the Station, by express, Informing
Me that he has Not an ounce of ammunition for the Men, And also
that the Contractor has Given Orders, to Issue Not more than
.19. rations to the Station, And that there Still remains a
part of the old Guard in the Station, Who have Not Order to re-
move else wheare, which with the Men from this County amounts
to .30. hope S^r you will take Some Measures to rectifie those
Complaints, for which purpose I have Sent M^r Snider the Express
down to You, that You May have an oppertunity of writeing by him -

Maj^r Few informes Me that he has Sent forward the whole of
his detachment, who have Joind Camp before this, I wrote You this
Morning, and inclosed a return of an artillery Company of MY
Regiment.

And am D^r S^r

Your Ever devoted friend
and very Humb^l Ser^t

Jesse Sanders 43 L. C. C. R. M.

(Reverse) Brigadear
General Glascock

fav^d by M^r Snider }
Express }
Augusta

Augusta 12th Sept: 1794

Sir,

Inclosed is a letter from Colonel Sanders, which explains the inconvenience of one, of the detachments sent from his Regiment; which I hope your Excellency will have removed.

I am

Yr Exclys

Most obt Servt

Thomas Glascock

His Excl^y)
The Governor)

REVERSE

Letter

General Glascock

12 Septem 1794

Answered by a letter to

General Clark

See letter Book of this day

Military

His Excellency

George Mathews esq:

Governor Georgia.

Savannah, Sep^r 1794

Sir:

I was honored with your letter & order of the 19th inst, but two days since, and am fearful that the approaching meeting of Congress will prevent my completing and making report on that Order, at the time prescribed.

Should your Excellency however, as the Executive power deem the completion of that order by myself personally to be of more consequence to the State, than my attendance at Philadelphia I shall think myself justified in remaining .-

I intended to sail the 20th of next month, and now purpose to act as far on the order as I can during the time of my stay, leaving its completion & the report to the Commanding Officers of the two Brigades for the time being, unless I should in the interim, receive your orders to the contrary.

I feel such gratitude toward your Excellency for the opinion you have been pleased to express of my zeal, in promoting the interests of my Country. I shall strive to deserve its continuance.

I am Sir,

Yr Excellencys Obed^t Serv

Jas Jackson

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(Reverse:) His Excellency George Matthews Esquire
Governor &c &c
State of Georgia

Favor of }
Mr Wallace }

Letter
Maj Gen^l Jackson
20 Septem.^r 1794

Military

Ordered to be filed 14 October 1794

fourth Independance

Franklin County

Sept

20/1794

Sir

 No 143

In respect to the Annual Return and -- Inspection of my Regiment I have to inform you that it is very near the same with my Annual Return of 1793 and that Capt Barnett's Company is increased to about 30 Citizens of Arms liable to do milita Duty and belief well armed with Rifles and that we have no horse^{or} acquipt for service and have to Request that you will accept of this Statement for a Return of my Regiment of the present Date.

Russell Jones Lt

Col^o F C R

Sept the 20 1794

Augustus C Geo Elholm

Adgt - Gen^l

Reverse:-

Augustus. C. Geo. Elholm -

Adj^t Gen^l