

that nothing would tend to facilitate it more than that Merchants should go from the English Colonies to Canada with proper Assortments of Sutlers' Goods, such as Hosiery, Shoes, coarse Linnens, Soap, Rum, Sugar, &c.

Eighth. That a few Artificers, namely Armourers, Smiths, Carpenters, Harness Makers, Wheelrights, with a proper person to superintendent their Conduct be forthwith sent into Canada—it being impossible for an Army to be without them.

Ninth. That a few pieces of heavy Artillery with a suitable proportion of Ball—two large Mortars with Shells &c, agreeable to an Estimate in the Hands of this Committee, be forwarded with all Speed into Canada.

Tenth. As the York Regiment which have been in Canada the last Campaign are nearly broke up and many of the officers still desirous of continuing in the service, that they be preferred in the new Levies in the Province of New York to others—That they would feel much as if they were neglected after so fatiguing & expensive a Campaign.”

The Committee after having made their Report to the Congress informed me that they intended complying with the Requisitions I had made.

*February ye 21st.*—Left Philadelphia.

*February 24th.*—Arrived at New York where I was given to understand, that four new Regiments were to be raised & that the old Regiments, the Remnant of them, agreeable to the Resolution of the Continental Congress above mentioned, were to be formed in two, of which I was to have one, & Clinton the other, & that therefore the Provincial Congress had made no provision for the Canada officers in the new Regiments; well knowing the unpracticability of the intended Measure of the C. C. & that it had supersided their former Order. I resolved by the Advice of General Lee (who was then to command in Canada but afterwards sent to Virginia) to remain here & not to return to Canada till such time as I knew whether I should be provided for in the new Levies or not.—In the meantime I exerted myself to the utmost in Favor of the Canada officers.