

If these Ships can't be built in America by the Time required, some of them may be built here and sent over; but the Building of them there would not amount to near the Money herein set forth.—As all the abovesaid Officers of the Independent Companies are allowed Whole Pay in this Estimate, the Half-pay they have now ought to be deducted, which amounts to 10,128*l.* 15*s.*

The Expence of Raifing, Cloathing, Accoutring, and Maintaining 14,000 Men in our Colonies of America for a Year.

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To the Raifing, Cloathing, and Account- ring 14,000 Private Men, at 6 <i>l.</i> per Man, —————	}	84,000		
To their Pay for a Year, at 8 <i>d.</i> per Day per Man, —————		}	170,333	6
To 140 Captains at 10 <i>s.</i> each per Day,	25,550			
To 140 Lieutenants at 5 <i>s.</i> each per Day,	12,775			
To 140 Ensigns at 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each per Day,	8,942		10	
To 420 Serjeants at 16 <i>d.</i> each per Day, —	10,220			
To 420 Corporals at 10 <i>d.</i> each per Day, —	6,387		10	
To 280 Drummers at 1 <i>s.</i> each per Day,	5,110			
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Total,		323,318	6	8

The Whole Expence of the Independent Companies, the 14 Ships, and the American Troops, put together, amounts to, —629,563*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

The Expence of General and Field Officers, Baggage and Draught Horses, Carts, Waggon, Spades, Pick-axes, Shovels, and other Utenfils, may bring the aforesaid Sum to amount to, —700,000*l.*

The Gentlemen, who have the Management of our Affairs, may look upon this to be a large Sum, altho' a Trifle in Comparison to the Foreign Subsidies we pay on Presence of maintaining the Ballance of Power in Europe, and notwithstanding the employing it as aforesaid is not only to secure but augment our Colonies, by which we may have it returned in a Thousand Fold, which is very different from the said Subsidies, which neither return nor secure