

furnished by Messrs Harley & Drummond the Contractors, but on that day their Contract ceased, without any other arrangement for the Supply of the Military Chest having been notified to us. Upon that occasion I consulted with General Paterson, who concurred with me in opinion, that the 4th Article of the Paymaster General Instructions of which I communicated to you a Copy in my Letter of yesterday, would apply to this Case.

It directs that upon the Deputy Paymaster being disappointed of Money either by the Contractors or the Collectors of the Customs, they are to draw Bills on the Paymaster General with the approbation of the Officers Commanding at the Respective places of their Residence, signified to them in Writing — General Paterson authorised me accordingly to carry this Instruction into execution, and I have in consequence thereof drawn Bills for such sums as have been absolutely and indispensably necessary for the Warrants exhibited to me. From the Collector of the Customs I have never upon any occasions received any Money.

I have the Honor to be
with much Respect

Sir

Your most Obedient
most humble Servant

Alexr Thomson

D^y Paymaster of the Forces
in Scotland.

From
D^y Paym^r General.
Ordering Bills to be
drawn.

Sir,

N^o 21.

Halifax 13th Aug^r 1783.

It having been represented to me that there are sums due on Warrants granted by Major General Paterson during his Command in this District to the Amount of £3217.14.12 And it being absolutely necessary that those Demands should be immediately discharged. — I am to desire that you will forthwith raise by Bills of Exchange at the lowest rate possible a sum sufficient

for

the purpose of paying those Warrants for which this shall be your sufficient authority.

I am Sir

Your most Obedient
humble Servant.

Alexr Thomson Esq.
D^y Paymaster General &c

H. C. Fox M. G. —

From
R. Johnson, A. C. S.
answering Questions
put by Genl. D. G.

Sir,

N^o 22.

Halifax 13th Aug^r 1783

In answer to your Query, why the Assistant Commissarys at Cumberland, and Fort Howe, Receive a greater Pay than those at the other Out Posts? —

I can give no further Information than, that, when I took Charge of the Department here, I received a List from Mr Crumford of the different Commissarys Employed at the Out Posts, wherein the Assistant at Cumberland, was charged at 7/6 p^r day. A Copy, of which I sent to Mr Watson, and as I never received any Orders respecting them, I concluded it had received his Approbation. —

Mr. Hacen, formerly stationed at Fort Howe (who Received 5/ per Day) was superseded by Mr Watson, and the Gentleman who succeeded him was allowed by Mr Watson's orders 7/6 per Day, as mentioned in the inclosed List. —

I have the honor to be

Sir Your very humble Servant,
Roger Johnson,
A. C. S. —

Hon^{ble} Brig^{er} General Fox
&c &c &c. —

From
Governor Parr —
requesting Troops to be
sent to Beaulieu.

Sir,

N^o 23.

Halifax 14th August 1783

Repeated representation having been made to me, that several persons from the Massachusetts Bay Government have crossed the Western boundary of this Province, and are beginning