

means will be found to store the cargoes in different magazines at a distance from each other, to guard against the Accident of fire happening to both. A third ship will soon follow with what remains to be sent. — It will be highly pleasing to me, and of much public utility, to receive from you information of such regulations as you may, from time to time find necessary to make, in any branch of the public Service under my Controul.

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient,
Jmo. Hum. Servant

Brook Watson.

Comm^d Gen^l.

No 97

New York 1 Sept^r 1783.

Sir,

X I am directed by the Commander in Chief to inform You that a large sum of Money will immediately be sent hence to Halifax, for the Kings service in Nova Scotia, therefore, He desires you will not suffer more bills to be drawn on the public account under par

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, Your most humble Serv^t

Brigadier Gen^l Fox

Commanding in

Nova Scotia.

Brook Watson.

Comm^d Gen^l.

No 98

75
New York 6th September 1783.

Sir,

I am under the Necessity of requesting Your assistance, to the end I may receive from Mr. Crawford and Mr. Johnson, Assistant Commissaries at Halifax their respective accounts viz^t

Mr. Crawford's account of receipts, issues, rum, fuel, Stores &c^a from the 25th June to the 24th September 1782, when he gave up the Charge to the department to Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson's Ditto as above from the 25th September 1782, to 24th June 1783.

Ditto his last accounts from the 31st of March, to the 24th June 83.

It may appear strange to You Sir, that at this late hour I should be under the necessity of applying for assistance to procure accounts of so long standing, and immediately within my own department: but when I inform you that notwithstanding my repeated and earnest solicitations I have not been able to procure any one Vouched or Settled account from Nova Scotia, for provisions, fuel, & stores received and issued, and that they are the only public accounts in my department unsettled, you will not wonder at my anxiety to have them before I leave America. I doubt not but the Gentlemen have met with difficulties in settling them which your Authority will soon remove.

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, Your most Hble Serv^t

The Hon^{ble} Brig^d Gen^l
Fox
Halifax.

Brook Watson
Comm^d Gen^l.