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W. W. L. Scott Esq.

York

His Excellency
George Hood Esquire
Resident in Council
Montreal

York July 28th 1781

Agreeable to your Excellency's Orders I have
found a place for the Convention Troops to
encamp; about four miles and an half to the
Eastward of York Town which Col Wood approves
of as a convenient and suitable Place
I have also call'd the fourth Class of the Militia
who have furnished upwards of one hundred Men
Col Wood is of opinion it will require near
double that number, untill the necessary
works on the encampment are erected
I have collected all the Arms in York and
Morton Towns which are not half enough
for the Guards. Therefore have to request of the
Honorable Council to lend us Arms & Amuni-
tion for the use of the Guards if need
The Arms which our seven months carried to
Philadelphia last year. (about three hundred)
were delivered up in a House near the Bridge
in Water Street where Clothing and other Military
Stores were then kept, but no receipts kept for them
that I can find

Col Wood has call'd on me for ten or twelve
Carpenters and for axes, spades, Pick and
Shovels for Building the Huts and Picquets

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The Carpenters; and the Smiths who make
the Tools look to me for their Pay,
have therefore to beg your Excellency,
directions in this matter, whether it
is a County or Continental Charge
and how and when those People are to
be paid and by whom,

I am preparing all my Poll-tax
and shall lay them before the Honourable
Council towards the end of next Month

I am Sir

your Excellency

very Obedient

Humble Serv^t

W^m Smith

His Excellency
Joseph Needham