to entreat your strenuous endeavours to procure, on the
credit of the State, as much as can be had from Individu
& that you will be pleased to take the earliest opportu
-nity of informing us how much we are to expect from
your State. Nothing shall be wanting to provide all
we can on Account of the United States; but we are
convinced that without the assistance of the States
individually we shall fall very short of the Quantit
required & perhaps experience the most distressing
disappointments from the want of this most essentia
Article. We will, when the Continental Magazine
are replenished, chearfully return in kind the powde
you are pleased to lend us, or pay the Value in mone
as you shall choose. We hope the State will, on th
interesting Occasion; go to the extent of her abilities
the Article required; & if hereafter, as the continent
Stock encreases, any quantity shall be wanting
for States uses, in part of the quantity lent, we
can