May It Please Your Excellcy

Baltimore Decem^r 15th 1779

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Inclosed you have an Inventory of Cloths Col^o Jno Dorsey & Wm Hammond have, the Quality is Good and they come Cheap as Goods Now Sell. There is Two men from Philad^a About Purchasing them they will Take them at the Prices Sett on them If they are not Purchased for the State. Col^o Dorsey and Hammond Express a Desire this State Shou'd have them in Preference to any Person. and have Engaged not to Part with them untill I Hear from Your Excellcy About them which they Expect will not be Longer then to morrow Evening or Early the day Following

I Received your Letter of the 11th Inst Yesterday Desiring me to Look at Some Cloths Mr Chase Delivered you of which are the Cloths Above Mentioned

I Wrote you the 12th by Serg^t Neary and Inclosed you Some Samples of Cloths Col^o Dorsey has a Small Invoice of About 400 yds but not Receiving an Answer In Time and Thinking them a Bargain have Bought them on Conditions your Excellency Approves of the Purchase. There is not any Blanketts to be had Excepting those at £112:10 I mentioned in my Former Letter. Linnen of the Quality Suitable for Shirts so Very Scarce not any to be had at Present. not any Word from Mr. Paca as Yet. Your Excellcy will Please to Favour me with an Answer and Instructions how to Proceed in Regard to the Purchases above mentioned by the Bearer hereof (Thomas Morfit) whom I have Hired on Purpose to Waitt on your Excellency with this Letter

I am your Excellcy^s m^o Ob^t Humble Servt

Geo: P. Kemp

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