

**Peter Hog to George Washington, December 8, 1756,
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FROM CAPTAIN PETER HOG.

STAUNTON 8th. Decr. 1756

SIR/ I am favoured with yours of the 15th. Accompanying the £500 with which I have paid off the Company to the Last of Oct: as also the Wages of the party working on the fort the rest has been Expended in paying the provisions Bought at fort Dinwiddie. But as Lieut. Bullet has Laid in a Large qty. of Beeff, there Is yet a great deficiency of Cash to pay off the Whole, I imagined you would Left particular Orders respecting the provisions of that Garrison, as that at Vanses has not been provided in any more than a Sufficiency to Support the Men there a Short Time, I should be glad to know whether I am to Remain at that place during the Winter or to Repair to fo: Dinwiddie, If the former I hope you will order me, my proper Command, as you are Sensible that it is more necessary on Roanoke than Jackson's Rivr: particularly as the Militia from the Neighbouring Counties are drawn off by the Governors Orders and some Obstacles hinder the Augusta Militia from Supplying their place at that Garrison, which is now very Weak on that Accot: I am thus far on my Way to Wmsburg to Endeavour a Settlement of my Accots. with the Committee on my Return shall be glad to Receive your Orders where I am to be Stationed this Winter, and how the Deficiency of the money for provisions is to be Supplied, & where I am to Meet the Comissy: & pay Mastr: to Settle the Accots: agreeable to your Instructions the Time I will fix as soon as possible after my Return. I am with great Respect

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Sir/ Your Most Obedt. & Very Huml servt. PETR. HOG

P. S. I have Enlistd. some Servants If agreeable to you should be desirous to have your Orders If I may pay the Valueation to their Masters P. H.¹

¹ As Governor Dinwiddie had forbidden Washington to enlist any more servants until further orders, Captain Hog was directed accordingly.