

at present as a Guard over the Convention Troops are ordered to
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[Council to Colonel Hooper.]

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Agreeably to the Act to compel the Payment of the Taxes in Somerset County we request you to order immediately a Company of Militia from your County of one hundred Privates under a spirited Officer to march into Pocomoke and Annemessix hundreds in Somerset County and be there stationed until the public Taxes due on those Hundreds are collected or until they are relieved for the Purpose of aiding the Collectors in the Collection of the Public Taxes due in those Hundreds.

[Council to William M^cBride, Commissary of Somerset County.] Ibid.

We request you to supply the Militia ordered from Dorset and those that may [be] ordered from Somerset County with all necessary Provisions, keeping a distinct Account thereof, for the Purposes mentioned in the Act to compel the Payment of Taxes in Somerset County.

[Council to George Dashiell, Esqr.]

Ibid.

We enclose you a Copy of the Law to compel the Payment of the Public Taxes in Part of Somerset County, to which we refer you we have wrote to the Commissary of Somerset to furnish the necessary Supplies of Provision.

[Council to Lieutenant of Montgomery.]

Ibid.
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By a Resolution of the General Assembly we are empowered if we think necessary to order a full Company of Militia from your County to assist in guarding the Convention Troops. We are not acquainted with the Numbers necessary to guard the Prisoners and therefore have wrote to the Lieutenant of Frederick, whom we have appointed to command the Guard informing him, that we should write to you to order a full Company of Militia, from your County to march to Frederick Town. On his Application you will order them on his Duty without further Instructions.

[Council to Col. Baker Johnson.]

Ibid.

Enclosed you have a Resolution of the General Assembly directing a Guard over the Convention Troops to releive the Guard from Virginia. We wish you to take the Command of the Guard and to order on Duty a full Company of the Militia from your County, we shall not order any other Company on Duty until we hear from you, as Col. Wood wrote to us he thought one hundred and fifty men with their proper Officers would be sufficient, the Company now ordered with Col. Weltners and Capt. Browns Corps will exceed that Number