

January 17 different places & could not be found They shall be summoned to attend as soon as possible. Andrew McCurty could not be found tho they were some time after him he is an old worthless fellow scarcely worth notice, but I believe Clark is a hardened daring bold fellow of the worst character & I think a very dangerous one to go at large at this time I could wish he could be detained untill proper evidence could be sent up as I think the matter may be proved upon him & Lee

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[R'd Hooe, Alexandria, to Gov. Lee.]

Your Excellencys kind offer of assisting this Town with Cannon and Ball is most thankfully received, And in consequence by order of our County Lieut I have dispatched M<sup>r</sup> Johnston Smith with Waggons to bring 2 nine Pounders, as many nine Pound Shott, Grape Shot and as much Match Rope as you can spare, also 5 Barrells of Cannon & 2 of Muskett Powder.

A sailor belonging to the Brigantine Maryland a Vessell of ours that saild from this port some time ago, and was taken upon the Coast by the Iris Capt. Dawson and landed at Hampton on the 8<sup>th</sup> Inst. says, there then lay seven Men of War, 9 transports and several Captur'd Vessels at New Port News that the rest of their Men of War and transports was up James River—that a Ship, a Brig. and a Copper bottom Sloop was Cruizing in the Bay. That they talked of going to Baltimore & Fredericksburgh, but from every thing he could learn their intention was to go against Fredericksburgh, that he thinks they will at least come up Potomack to Water, that they were frequently enquiring how the different towns were fortified and the number of Men &c They had but few negroes and had refused taking many that had come off. They had taken off a great number of cattle & all kinds of Stock.—from the latest accounts General Weeden has a respectable body of Militia and a number of Mounted Volunteers from Augusta and frederick.

January 18

[Eph: Blaine C. G. P. Head Quarters New Windsor to  
Governor Lee]

I presume your Excellency has received the requisitions of Congress a considerable time ago for the supplies of our army this year—and that means have been adopted by your Legislature to procure them in due time. Congress have pointed out the proportions of delivery, and his Excellency General Washington the places of deposit and the Quantity of Provisions to be stored at each magazine, two thirds of the Quota of Flour and Salt provisions required from your State is to be reserved as a Magazine for the southern army—the fresh beef rum and salt is to be subject to my order—the salt and rum will not be wanting before the Spring and Summer at which time I shall order the disposal of it—the salted beef to be delivered in the following proportions Viz. (and for which I beg your