

made at this place. In short we are all uneasy at the trouble we give June 23  
as well as expence we put our Friends to. I flater myself your Honble  
Board will take the general situation into Consideration & fall on  
some method to remove the present inconveniences.

[Sam Smith, Balt., to Gov. Lee.]

I do myself the Honor to Inclose your Excell<sup>ys</sup> a Deposition for-  
warded by M<sup>r</sup> Baker Johnson in consequence of which I took up &  
Confin'd in Jail, John Parker, on searching his papers there was  
nothing found that would Criminate him. He requests a Speedy  
Trial declaring his Innocence, I presume It will be easier to Carry  
him to Fred<sup>k</sup> where a Number Concern'd are to be tried, than to pro-  
cure the attendance of the necessary Evidence here. The Person  
mention'd to Gen. Buchanan has been taken. He has a Certificate of  
having taken the Oath in Charles C<sup>ty</sup>

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It will be Impossible to Equip Coll. Nicholsons Troop of Horse in  
less than one Month. I Have set Ellicott to work on the swords &c &c.  
He can make but 10 p week

I Have provided 80 Blanketts since my last which will I presume  
nearly be sufficient for the Troops, the Tents will be finish'd To-  
morrow & if I knew when the Troops would march, everything  
wanting should meet them at George Town. The Guns sent p M<sup>r</sup>  
Hughes are very handsome but they weigh between 10 & 1100<sup>l</sup> each.  
The Carriages are nearly Compleated. If the Troops do not march  
this week I will forward more Clothing, Tents &c to Anapolis. I  
should be glad to be Instructed whether M<sup>r</sup> Poe's receipt for the  
Canvass necessary for Tents, will be sufficient. The making &c. &c  
is more in his way than mine—flour still comes in very slow I flatter  
myself M<sup>r</sup> Muir is supplied with another 100 H<sup>hds</sup> Tobacco, if I fail  
in my first Contract—I shall be put on the List of public Contractors  
& be able to obtain a farther Credit. I should have a return of what  
is still wanting for the Troops that I might know how to Compleat  
them.

[Wm. Bordley, Chester Town, to His Excell<sup>cy</sup> Thos. Sim Lee, Esq.] June 25

Agreeable to your request I contracted for the making as many  
pair of shoes as £150 would pay for, upon the best terms I could,  
& waited some time for an opportunity to send the order, but none  
offering I hired a man for that purpose, the shoemakers pressing  
for their money; enclosed you have your order, with M<sup>r</sup> Dickinsons  
answer, at which I am somewhat surprised & much disappointed  
supposing your Excellencies order good, I passed my word for the  
payment of £150 the sum mention'd therein. M<sup>r</sup> Crane seeing the  
necessity of furnishing the soldiers with shoes, has made a pair for  
each, trusting to the state, for the payment of the sum exceeding