

C. S. C. them as may be necessary for the said Troops as we have ordered their Station there.

March 8 1776

[Taylor to Hall.]

Sir. As the Council of Safety seem to be at a loss who to appoint as Majors to our Battalion I shall take the liberty of recommending two gentlemen, to your notice viz<sup>t</sup> Captain Thomas Snowden and Lieutenant Walter Bowie they are both very worthy and I am sure will give general satisfaction, It is said our quarter master M<sup>r</sup> Wootton will be advanced if he should M<sup>r</sup> Jon Magruder would be exceeding proud to succeed him in that business. I have nothing to add only that I am Sir,

Your most Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

Rob<sup>t</sup> Taylor.

7 March 1776.

To John Hall Esquire.

[Contee to Council.]

Upper Marlbr<sup>o</sup> March 7, 1776.

Gentlemen. I beg leave to enclose you some accounts from Gentlemen whose waggons & carts were employed in bringing the records to this place The reason the Gentlemen give me for their accounts being so high the waggons &c were detained two days waiting for the records. If you approve of the accounts be pleased to order the amount to be paid M<sup>r</sup> Richard Hall.

I am Gen<sup>t</sup> with great respect, Your most obedient servant  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Contee

[P. Thomas to Council.]

Middle District of Fredk County March 7<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Gentlemen. By the return of the Committee, of the Militia Companies in this District, you will observe that I was chosen Captain of a Company, which I believe was one of the first raised in the Province, and placed in the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion; but my Commission has never come to hand, and to save your Honors the trouble of making one out it is necessary, to inform you that I decline serving in the above capacity, which I am induced to do for these reasons viz<sup>t</sup> I had the honor to command one of the oldest companies, in this province, and was recommended, by the Committee to the convention, as a proper person to be appointed Col<sup>n</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion. They being representatives of the people, and a respectable Body of Men,