

England, the letter to L^d Bertie is from Cap^t Kinnear of the C. S. C. Royal Fusileers now a Prisoner at Carlisle he told me he has the Honour of being acquainted with your Excellency the other from M^r Newmarche also a prisoner. They gave their Honours that nothing of politicks was wrote in them. I handed them to the Committee who returned them unopened. I am with the greatest Esteem

Your Excellencys M^o obed^t Serv^t Sam Smith.
To his Excellency Gov^r Eden.

[Somerset Committee to Council.]

Original.

Princess Anne June the 11th 1776.

Gentlemen. From the present situation of Cap^t Gunbys Company in P. Anne, we are apprehensive that they do not so compleatly answer the purposes for which they were intended, as if removed to particular parts of this County more liable to Invasion.

Our distant situation from you will render it exceeding difficult for us to have your timely orders in Junctures of imminent Danger, we would therefore hope that it may be deemed expedient by you to grant this Committee a power to remove the said Company to such places in this County as are most exposed to the deprecation of our Enemies. We are Gentlemen your respectful Hum^l Serv^t signed p^r order of Comm^{ee}
Henry Lowes, Chairman

[Maryland Deputies to Council.]

Original.

Gentlemen. We have received your Letter by M^r Steward also that by the Post of the 7th of this month. We have conferred with M^r Steward, assisted him in changing his provincial money for continental and procured a recommendation from M^r Morris to those who have been concerned in fitting out the Gallies here to give him all the Information in their power respecting them We shall make Application for the arms lent the Congress but we do not see any probability of obtaining them, none having been made or having arrived but what were immediately disposed of among the Continental Troops. It seems to be taken for granted that our Province will not be attacked, and upon this supposition we presume it will be thought unnecessary to strengthen us even by returning the warlike stores which we lent. When the scheme for marching the Militia was agitated we informed Congress of the circumstances of our Province and of the Impossibility of marching the Militia out of the Province without their consent. how-