

as for the 400 men which were order'd last Fall to be drawn P. R. O. out of all the Militia upon the Account of the Indians, and to be in readiness upon all extraordinary occasions; I have not as yet had an account of their being compleated in all respects.

And with humble Submission to yo^r Lordp^s I don't think it for his Majestys Service at p^rsent, to alter the method that I have taken concerning the Militia; for fear that if they have particular Commissions under my hand & seal, they may make use of that power to his Majesty's prejudice. For I think some have endeavoured to raise a Rebellion; or at least, have made very great disturbances: The account of w^{ch} your Lordp^s may please to see by the Depositions of several Persons upon oath, in the last Journal of the Council. Some are of Opinion that my Lord Baltimore will have his Government again: and others hope so. From the first account we had of the likelihood of a Peace, especially when the happy News thereof came, these things have happened here. For some were very willing that his Majesty should deliver them from Popery and slavery, and protect them in time of War: because they were not then able to preserve them selves. But, now it hath pleased God, by his Majesty's unimitable Valour & Conduct, and indefatigable pains, that these troubles and fears are ceased; they are not satisfied wth his Majestys Government; because it curbs them in their former atheistical, loose, and vitious way of living; and debars them of their Darling, illegal trade.

The Papists joyne with them as doe also the Jacks, both Jurors, and Hon's. but I think them selves may be esteemed such sort of Jemmys: and I suppose, some of the Quakers too. If my Lord Baltimore should have this Government again, they hope (as formerly) these things would be suffered. For I suppose my Lord must comply with the Iesuits in the point of Religion; who, no doubt, will take more vigorous Resolucōns, and put them in Action for the promotion of their damnable tenets. And I believe his Lordp will consider that the best, if not the only way to promote his temporal Interest here, will be not to disturb them in their illegal trade, or other ill practices: for fear that if they can not injoy them under his Lordp^s Government; they may assume it to them selves: which will be no very difficult thing for them to doe: except his Majesty will be pleased to protect his Lordp but whether yt be adviceable for his Majesty so to do, or no, your Lordp^s are very proper Judges. And I imagine that his Lordp. will not be against their being easy (as they call it) so long as the several Branches of his Revenue doe but increase, and are well payd.

I fancy that these dissatisfied People here, design to have a tryal of skill, whether they can by their own, and their accom-