

Rights of Subjects serving in Military capacities left undefined it is the wish of the Gentlemen of the Line that the Hon^{bl} House will please to relieve them from their present State of suspense, by explicitly declaring whether they are considered as Aliens & Mercenaries, or entitled to the privileges of Free Citizens relying upon the justice of our claim to the latter, we beg leave to submit the matter to your farther consideration

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Book No. 3

[Wm. Aisquith, Baltimore Town, To His Excellency
Tho^s Simm Lee Esq^r] May 8

Sir At the request of M^r George Letsinger, I have to Inform you, that some time in the first of April Last I apprehended two men, one by the name of Dickson the other John O'Neale on Suspicion of Robing John Jones of Philadelphia County in Pens^a of sundry Goods, it appeared to me that they were the persons that Committed the Robbery by an Advertisement of M^r Jones in the Pensilvania papers. they were both Examined by M^r George Londonburger one of the Magistrates of this County, for the feat aforesaid who Committed them on Suspicion, at the same time desired me to write to M^r Jones, and Acquaint him of the affair, which I accordingly did, and acquainted him that they could not be Long Confined in Jail on Suspicion only, and that he would come down as soon as possible, or write me an Answer whether the things taken with Dickson be his or not but have not received an answer, nor heard any thing further about it, and I dont believe M^r Jones will give himself the Trouble to come down for the Trifling things they have, that appeared to be his but whether they are or not cannot say. I am told that Dicksons real name is Kelly and wants to Inlist into the Service the Magistrate ses he cannot release either of them without your Excellencys sending up an order for that purpose before the next Special Court, theres nothing against Either the persons as I know of more then what I have said above, and should be Glad they could be released from Confinement.

Your Excellency will be pleased to Excuse my freedom in this Affair.

[James McFadon, Lieut Artillery, Baltimore to Gov Lee] May 8

May it Please Y^r Excellency. I applied to M^r Geo. Keeports who is appointed clothier for this State, who Informed me that I must have an Order from the Governor & Council for the Cloathing which is allowed by the State, the Cloth I have rec^d from M^r Randle at Morris Town, would be much obliged to your Excellency to Let me have an order for the Linnen for Shirts & Trimmings for the Suit of Cloaths