

most earnestly requested may be attended with the utmost Expedition and Punctuality. Red Book
No. 7

The Time is come when we may hourly expect the Arrival of the Forces of our Ally, and the Plan of Operation ought to be completely formed, and ready to be communicated upon their Arrival, which cannot be done for want of proper and certain Information, of the number of Forces, Quantity of Supplies &c which the States will furnish.

Under these Circumstances you will easily perceive, that Congress and the Commander in Chief are placed in a most painful situation, and that the Interest, Honor & Safety of these States are too much affected to admit of the least Delay or Neglect of any & every Execution which the present situation of our Affairs demand

June 23. Since writing the foregoing I have received a Letter from his Exc^y Gen^l Washington an Extract of which is enclosed together with an Act of Congress of this Day, by which you will be further informed of the pressing Necessity of immediately forwarding on the supplies of Men and Provisions with the utmost Expedition and the repeated request of Congress to transmit to them & their Committee at Head Quarters the Proceedings of the State over which you have the honour to preside in such Manner that the Commander in Chief may rely & be enabled to regulate his future regulations thereon

[Jos^a Beall, Lieut P^s G^s County to Gov Lee]

June 23

S^r Inclosed is a return for Militia Commission wanted for this County, which I shuld be Glad to receive by Coll^l Lucas who will deliver you this.

I wrote you some time ago concerning the Ammunition in Bladensburg; If it is not thought adviseable to sell and turn it into money, I could Wish to have your Orders to deliver it to the several Field Officers & Captains who would make themselves Accountable for it.

I have not Examined it since I made a return of the Quantity, it has been Ever since in a Store house kept by M^r Dick, without any Expence to the publick; M^r Dick is now about giving up the house & desires I would remove it, This cannot be done without some Expence, besides that of the hire of a house to put it in, which I imagine would be somthing considerable. Your speedy directions as to the Disposal of it will greatly oblige

A return for Military Commissions wanted in P^s G^s C^{ty}

For the Upper Battalion Benjamin Harwood Capⁿ in the place of Capⁿ Joseph Jones resigned

For Capⁿ Shaws late Capⁿ Carltons Comp^y William Moore 1st Lieut. Promoted to Capⁿ in the place of Capⁿ Shaw who is removed