

Desires. Your Stores that were left at the Indian Landing were ordered to be removed to George Town on Patowmack, but when we were apprised of the Enemy's Intentions against Alexandria, Orders were given to stop them ten Miles on this side which is unquestionably a Place of Security and in your Route from Baltimore to the Southward. We are convinced the disaffected and Emissaries of the Enemy are dispersed through the State, and are busy in collecting and supplying them with Provision, and communicating every kind of Intelligence by which Means they have Notice of all our Preparations and Movements. It is our Desire that Examples should be made of them in the speediest Manner whenever detached. We have directed the Lieutenant of Harford County to go to Gun Powder Creek, and make immediate Inquiry after Major McPherson, that Part of the County is well affected and we think you need not be uneasy about his Safety; a Letter from a Gentleman of Alexandria mailed at 7 o'Clock yesterday Morning informs us that the Enemy are moving up Patowmack in considerable Force consisting of eight Vessels of various Sizes, that the last Accounts say they are above Dumfries and that they have no Doubt but that they are intended against Alexandria, where every Exertion is making to oppose them, we shall give you most speedy and frequent Intelligence of every movement and Design of the Enemy as soon as it is obtained.

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[Council to David Poe, Esqr.]

Ibid.

The Detachment under the Marquis Fayette is on its way from Elk to the Southward, and is to take Baltimore in their Route a Number of Waggons Teams and Drivers with Horses will be wanting to receive those brought from Elk and to transport the Artillery Stores and Baggage we cannot ascertain the Number necessary but expect the Marquis will send an Officer forward to have them ready and therefore desire and authorise you to impress such Numbers of Waggons Teams and Drivers and Horses as the Marquis may order.

[Council to Capt. Keepports.]

Ibid.

We request you will forward immediately six Barrels of Musquet Powder to the Head of Severn, which is to be delivered to Capt. Philemon Warfield, in complying with this Order you will take care not to leave the Magazine at Baltimore destitute of musquet Powder, and if this order wil comprehend all you have, you will diminish the quantity to be sent. You will send us a Return of the Powder &^{ca} under your care distinguishing the musquet from the Cannon Powder

[Council to Benjamin Griffith.]

Ibid.
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The Troops under the Marquis Fayette are on their way to the Southward and are to take Baltimore Town in their Route, and will