

to attend to that Business, I am afraid we shall be oblige to Troble your Excellency with several other persons, who are Thro: others doing every thing they Can to Discourage our Cause, Their was taken up and brought to me, yesterday that old offender Leven Deshroon, who has bin in Every Insurrection, Has bin indited for joining in the Insurrection in Sussex last summer. Broke Goal & Join'd the Enemy, Since which he has bin in Lewes Town Goal, from which he has bin Bailed by sum of his friends in this County and has bin at home about a fortnight; Behaving in the most Insolent manor, he was Insolent enough the other Night, in the house of a Certain George Parsons Jun^r To sing Sundry Disaffected Songs, and being opposed by sum Few whigs that was there that he would sing & say what he pleased where he was Welcome, and the others said he should not in their presence, upon which he stript him self to fight, and would have bin handsomly treated by a M^r Finch that was preasent, but M^r Parsons would not suffer him to lay his hands upon him, Dishroon Declares to me, that he should not have Behaved as he Did, but he was Insisted upon to sing these songs by Parsons Brothers. I have made Two Majestrates acquainted with this Conduct but wheather they will take any Measures to prevent in future such a Conduct I Cant tell, But now the Enemy are at our Doors, the Torys are Exceeding Important, which Conduct Tends to Discourage the young & weak minds, if a few of the ring leaders of these men was Cas'd to attend your Excellency in Council I am of opinion it would be attended with very good Consequence I am sorry to Inform you that I could not arme more then Two hundred men, and many of their Armes was not such as A man Could well Trust his Life with, Sundry persons that have Good Armes will neither use them nor Lend to others, I have bin oblige to seize sum armes to put in to the hands of the Militia, which hope will meet your approbation, if you Could posably spare us sum Artillery & about One hundred Armes & Cartouch Boxes, in Each County I think we should be able at all times to Turn out about three hundred Good men from Each County which would be as many as would be necessary to prevent their Doing much Damage, But I am Convinced that One Galley Could be of more Service heare then five hundred men on Shore

I have Inclosed you several Commissions, which please have New Commissions sent forward, agreable to the Inclosed List which is approved on all sides. I expect an Answer to my Letter by M^r McBryd to day after which I shall Wright you Immediately & send forward M^r Shockly

N. B I do not know Capt. Beach's Christian name nor the County he resides in but M^r Jeremiah Backor Cou'd Give you every Information upon that Subject we want sum Cartrig paper very much & flints.

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