

oners of war in these two States at some convenient places, and send them under proper Guards to Lancaster in Pennsylvania where they will be received by a Guard of Militia of that State. It is better for the Virginia Guard to go the whole way for reasons obvious to yourself. (See page 150)

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[M. Bayly, Fred^k Town, to Gov. Lee.] (p. Col^o Thomas.) March 25

I Gratefully acknowledge your particular attention in appointing me Auctioneer for Fred^k County. Col^o Thomas having appointed me to the Command of the Guard and Convention Troops by Authority recv^d from you and Council, I conceive it one part of my duty to transmit your Excellency and Council the returns of the Conventioneers to shew you the present State of them which you will find enclosed. My appointment to receive the recruits for This County I have Rec^d the Execution of which shall be faithfully attended to, and every method taken to prevent Desertion shall be adopted.

Present State of the British Troops under the Convention of Saratoga

Frederick Town 16th March 1781

Commission		Staff																	
	Brig ^d General	L ^t Colonels	Captains	1 st Lieutenants	2 ^d Lieutenants	Ensigns	Maj. of Brigade	Surgeon of the Hospital	Pay M. General	Commiss ^{ry} General	Ass. Commiss ^{ry}	Chaplains	Adjutants	2 Masters	Surgeons	Mates	Serjeants	Drummers	Rank and file
Total	1	2	7	13	3	6	1	1	1	1	3		1	2	3	3	107	54	610

Casualties since last Return

	Ser ^t	Drum ^{rs} *	Rank & file
Gone with exchanged Off ^{rs}	1	—	3
Deserted	—	—	5
Dead	—	—	2
Reduced to Private	2	—	—
	3	8	66

Note—The Ser^g^t marked exchanged got a passport from Col Wood

Jn^o Hill L^t Col^o 9th Reg^t