

March 25 [Rich^d Barnes, Leo^d Town His Excellency Tho^s Sim Lee Esq^r]

From the information I have rec^d of the Select Militia we have about seventy engaged for that service, which I now inform you of in order that we may be supplied with that quantity of Arms, which are necessary for us to make any tolerable defence for the protection of the Cal^{ry} And unless something is done for the security of the Inhabitants, bad consequences may arise, as I have been well informed that many of the Inhabitants of the Co^{ty} on the water had much rather lay at the mercy of the Enemy than have the Militia called to protect them owing as I suppose to their knowledge of the defenceless situation they are in If we could be supplied with about seventy stand of Arms more than what we have I shuld be glad of your opinion whether it would not be advisable, whilst the Enemy are in the Bay to keep about sixty more men constantly patrolling from one part of the Co^{ty} to the other in order to prevent dissatisfaction and the negroes going to the Enemy as from the late conduct of the Negroes when those Ships were in S^t Marys I am well satisfied the greatest part of them that are in the Co^{ty} would join them, as I am well informed upwards of twenty five offered themselves to those Ships the night they were in St Marys. Your answer to the above will oblige Your Most ob^t serv^t

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As we have allready requested of your Excellency and the Hoñble Council, a supply of Cash, we have only to add, that the new Bills Issued under the Act of Congress of the 18th March will answer our purposes, And that we hope we shall be supplied soon with a thousand dollars each of that Emission for which we will account at the Current Exchange

We are honored with your Excellencys favour of the 23^d

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[Jas Hamilton, Frederick's Town, to Gov. Lee.]

I have the honor to inform you, that M^r D. P. Master Gen^l Geddes & M^r Weir Surgeon Gen^l are served writs at the instance of Serg^t McLean of the 21st Reg^t for monies due him by those two Gentlemen during the time he acted as Clerk to the Governor, which Debt neither of them refuse; But was postponed paying till such time as inquiry was made whether or not said M^c Lean had not in-deavor'd to pass more Bills than that of a hundred pounds he was lately tryed for at the Court here, and which tho' acquitted by the Court for want of evidence bears the strongest marks he was concerned in.