

March 26 men in that City have requested I wou'd endeavour to have him liber-  
 Letter Book ated, & as he is willing to take the proper Oaths, I am in hopes your  
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 Letter 48 Excellency will order the poor Man his release

March 26 [Leigh Masters, Baltimore To His Excell<sup>y</sup> The Governor & The  
 Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council.]

I hope Your Excellence & y<sup>l</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council will excuse me giving this trouble to beg you will allow me to go back to New Providence.

I have this day been with Gen<sup>l</sup> Guist imagining he had power to allow me to sail but he said he thought it was out of y<sup>l</sup> Line of his province So recommended me to write to Your Honours. I therefore beg you will be so good to take my case into Consideration which I hope you will think me impertinent in saying is hard & peculiarly so as I am under the necessity of returning before next March to save my Estate which inclines me to hope you will allow me to sail without any further delay & Your Honours will greatly oblige.

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[Richard Peters, War Office, to Gov. Lee.]

Since the Resolution of Congress relative to the removal of the Convention Troops they have been pleased to refer the matter to this Board to Take Orders and we have given the enclosed Instructions to Col. Wood who has the Superintendance of those Troops and he is gone forward to put these orders in Execution which are expressive of the sense of Congress on the Subject. The Instructions will explain themselves and the present Circumstances of Affairs make the measures therein directed absolutely necessary. We therefore hope for the Concurrence and Assistance of your Excellency and the Honorable Council in carrying them into effect. (See page 145)

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[Thos. Sprigg, Co. Lt, Eliz<sup>th</sup> Town, to Gov. Lee.]

Inclosed is a return of two Companies of Select Militia in Washington, Your Excellency will please inform me by Capt. Ott if any more men may be added to these Companies provided they should offer.

I have also sent an Acc<sup>t</sup> of two recruits passed under an Act of June Session "to procure recruits to Compleat the Battalions of this State &c" they are now on duty at Fort Frederick & may be march'd with the recruits now raising in this County in which business we are tolerably successful

We wish to have the person here who is to take charge of & provide Necessaries for our recruits

NB The vacancy which John Kyger fills in the 1<sup>st</sup> Comp<sup>y</sup> of the second Battalion of Militia in this County happened by L<sup>t</sup> George Sharar resigning.