

[Maj^r Edw^d Giles, Mt Felix to His Excel^{cy} Thos. S. Lee Esq^r] June 4
(By Maj^r A. Giles.)

I should thank your Excellency, when the apointment of officer's and the select Militia comes on you will have me considered as a Candidate. As I believe they will be soon called into Action. I will accept any Rank, Your Board will please to confer.

[Rt. F. Hooe, Alex^a to Gov. Lee.]

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We have no certain accounts of the movements of the Enemy since I had the Honor of writing you last. By a Letter of Gen^l Weeden to Col^o Hendricks of the 2^d Inst. he desires that all stores & expresses going to the Marquis's Camp may be order'd off the Fredericksburgh road into one leading thro' the Country further back he also says that he hopes soon to have reinforcements that will stop the bold and rapid Marches of Cornwallis—the Man who brought the Letter says there is scarcely a Man left in Fred^{bs} that they are generally at falmouth & other Places on this side Rappahannock River—from these Circumstances I apprehend the British Army are moving fast towards fred^{bs} Gen^l Weeden further writes that a detachment of Cornwallis's Army had certainly embarked for Potomack River.

[Thomas Sprigg, Co^{ty} L^t to His Exc^y Thomas S. Lee, Esq.]

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M^r James Chapline who was appoint'd L^t of Captⁿ Chaplin's Comp^y of select Militia was recommended in his absence and without his approbation, he declines the Acceptance, which makes it necessary that some other Person should be Appoint'd I would recommend to Your Hon^r to app^t Ensⁿ Thomas Cramton y^r L^t and Benone Swaringin y^r Ensⁿ

[John Murdock, Montgomery County, to the Governor and Council.] June 4

Yesterday I received your two Letters of 30th Ult: and 1st curr^t by Express and this Day we have very different Accounts of the Situation and Designs of the Enemy from those contained in yours of the 1st Instant. Cornwallis's marching northward is totally contradicted and disbelieved as his Army has not yet been any great Distance on this Side James River, and is still on the Borders of it. The Detachment which embarked under Leslie, it is now reported, is gone to the Southward; so that we are not under much Apprehension at present of a Visit from Cornwallis in any short time.

I thought proper to promise this much, as I have not yet issued Orders for the Removal of the Provisions &c in George Town, which I shall defer until the Return of the Messenger: In short, if they must be removed, it will be highly necessary to be furnished with more Waggons for the Purpose than can possibly be procured