

June 4 in this County—and therefore should wish that Pr: George's County and the lower Part of Frederick might be called on to send us some Assistance.

The select Militia and the other Militia shall be ordered as you have directed—but there are no public Arms in this County neither for the select nor the other Militia, except the 50 Stand which were received from the Lieutenant of Pr: Georges County: For my Part, I do not believe besides the 50 stand that there are Arms in this County of any Kind that would accoutre 100 men, most of which are fowling Pieces, without either Bayonets or Cartouch Boxes.

I shall give Orders for the Draughts to march to Annapolis as soon as possible—but there has not yet been collected money enough to pay one tenth of the Men draughted their Proportion of one Shill^s of the four, which will in all Probability delay their marching until they are paid it; indeed I am of Opinion that the People in general have not the money nor can they procure it.

I desire to know in what manner you will direct the Recruits to be disposed of as no Officer has yet appeared in this County to take Charge of them.

Some of them have not yet received all their money from the Classes and others are unwilling to march out of the County without their Cloathing; this I mentioned to you in a former Letter.

Some Waggons were employed by me to remove the continental Ordnance and military Stores out of George Town in the late Alarm, the Owners of which are often applying to me for Payment; I have not the Laws concerning such matters, and therefore request you will inform me how and when they are to be paid, and at what Rate p Day

The Quantity of Provisions &c in George Town is supposed to be about 1000 Barrels of Flour and 8 or 900 Bushels of Corn &c:

Pray inform me what Distance is most proper to have them carried out of Town, in case of Removal

June 5 [Tho^s Beall of Geo. for T Richardson, Esq^r Geo Town to His Excellency Tho^s S. Lee Esq^r]

I am informed by Col^o John Murdock that you have Ordered Militia & light Horse to be Stationed here; I am to inform you that—there is not more than 8 or 900 lbs. Pork & 4 Cattle on the Hoof at this place; please to inform me how they will be supplied: with flesh Provisions. I have no money to purchase any thing.

I have supplied M^r Joshua George, (Quater Master) with what Corn & Hay the Continental Troops Stood in need of & taken his Receipts for the same; please inform me by next post if no sooner Opp^{ty} Offers how I must proceed & what I shall do for money &c