

July 15 them. I cou'd wish that your Excellency and the Council wou'd give
 Red Book orders for those that are for the Troops to be immediately taken
 No. 22 away as they are in some danger from the Enemy in case any Barges
 Letter 10 should come up the River. They are exceedingly burdensome to my
 son who is obliged to keep constant watch on them. I am Sir exceed-
 ingly indisposed.

The horses have been well fed and are much mended since they
 were rec'd indeed they are very fat.

[Henry Shryock, Hagers Town, to Gov. Lee.]

July 15
 Red Book
 No. 27
 Letter 119

May it Please your Excellency I Have this Moment Rec^d your
 Excellencys Letter Directing Me What Number of horses I am to Fur-
 nish from this County I Have Colected twenty one and should had
 Colected the Whole Number Directed By the Gen^l Assembly Had
 Not M^r Barnes tould Me that your Excelency and the Honorable
 Council Would suspend the Colection of som Part of the Number I
 am Not able to Furnish the Number of Light horse as there is hardly
 any Horses in this County fit for that Purpose But Draught horses
 I have a Number as Good as in the State of Maryland and Not one
 horse But What has Ben Proven to Be Good, I have also a good Set
 of Gears to Each Horse and have the Promes of three Waggon
 I thought to had Fixed the Whole Number of Horses in to teams if
 I Could By any Means Procure Waggon enough.

[George Stricker, Frederick Town, to the Council.]
 (By Mr. Holmes)

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 Red Book
 No. 27
 Letter 120

I wrote to you in a Letter Bearing Date the 1st Instant Concerning
 the Collection of Horses and Received yours of the 12th Instant by
 William Holmes, wherein I find and have Reasons to Believe that
 mine of the first Instant did not come to your Hands of which the
 Inclosed is a Copsy.

Amongst the Number of Horses Collected you will find in the
 Inclosed the Majority are Draft Horses and all very able Ones, and
 as the Number allready Collected will be the sufficient Number as-
 signed for this County agreeable to your last letter—the whole of
 them have Been Collected from those people Pointed out by the Act
 of Assembly. I therefore Leave it to the Honourable Board to Re-
 ceive those allready Collected or to Impower me to Exchange Draft
 for Troops, which I am Doubtfull will be Troublesom

Your further Directions therein will oblige Your Hum^l Serv^t

July 16 [Col^o Wm. Beatty, Frederick County to His Excellency Tho^s Simm
 Lee Esquire]

There is a vacancy for the want of an Ensign in Captain Whites
 Company of Militia belonging to the Frederick Town Battalion.
 The Company seem to have fixed on Andrew Lowe as the man of