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[Jas. Murray to Hon<sup>ble</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Brice]

Jub Fowler has a rupture in his Groin which renders him incapable of Military Duty—I shou'd be glad you woud consider wether there cou'd not be an Impropriety in classing me with the Militia as I now am & have been for eighteen months past in the service of the States, as Physitian to the Hospital

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[Wm. Hemsley, Queens Town, to Gov. Lee.]

I am now proceeding to class the Militia, but think proper to inform you that some of the persons appointed to recruit in this County did not receive their Warr<sup>ts</sup> until Sunday & I believe the others have not got them yet. From this Circumstance I wou'd submit it to the Council whether the Draught had not better be suspended for a little time to give the officers an opportunity of trying to enlist the men for I much fear they will never be procured by draughting. M<sup>r</sup> Nicholls who takes this over will return to-morrow & deliver me Your Answer.

The people have been engaged in harvest ever since the Law came out therefore cou'd not call the Battalions together.

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[Lafayette, Richmond, to His Excellency Gov<sup>r</sup> Lee.]

Gen: Greene having written to me in the most pressing manner, respecting completing Col. Lee's corp of cavalry; and understanding that your State is raising a number of horse for the dragoon service, I have to request of your Excellency, should no appropriation have been agreed to, that Capt<sup>n</sup> Archer may be furnished with fifty for this purpose.

July 17 [Wm Rose, Sergt. Major 1<sup>st</sup> Maryland Regimt, Annapolis, to the Governor and Council.]

I have made bold to lay down these few lines to the Hon<sup>l</sup> Governor & Council & hopes they will be pleas'd to Look them over which Necessity drives me to make Known my distressed Condition and it being the first Application that ever I made of the kind I hope the favour will be granted to me for as there is no distinction made between the Soldiers and non commissioned officers, or Warrant officers cloathing which I myself or all other young fellows that is in such post woud wish to make a distinction between their dress and the soldiers, that are in any such post, for without a distinction we can bear no command and as I have always made it a point to purchase the greater part of my cloathing, and if in Town's to Quarter myself in good Houses Rather than lie in the Barrucks among the Soldiery, not as I think myself above any Worthy Soldier, but only to make them obey & keep up all good Rules and Discipline of Military duty—and as I have never drawn only one pair of overalls since