

week. The Method he Took to Procure The Cloth he Purchased, was he would Bargain with the Sellers & Inform Them That If They Did not sell to him he would Inform me and I would Size Them by which Means he Bo<sup>t</sup> up all The Cloth fit for Soldiers. The Linnen That is to be had is in the hands of The Property of Foreigners (and cannot be had for New money) Excepting a Trifleing Quantity in the Possession of Retailers which would Count but Trifleing to the Proportion Wanting. I shall make up what Cloth Can be Procured and send it Down To Morrow with The Arms but do not Think The whole will am<sup>t</sup> to More Then 20 Blankets

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Red Book  
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[W. Smallwood, Annapolis, to Gov. Lee.]

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Brown Book  
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Letter 12

There are ninety stand of Arms wanting to compleat the 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment and six Hundred and fifty for the 4<sup>th</sup> with Accoutrements which I have no way of obtaining without you wou<sup>d</sup> be so obliging to order all those sent from Philadelphia to Baltimore down to this Station.

I think an Express had better go off this morning as Craft may be got at Baltimore for the purpose more readily than here.

We shall want upwards of one hundred Blankets for the 3<sup>d</sup> and one Hundred and fifty for the Continentals in the 4<sup>th</sup> which may come by the same conveyance I wou<sup>d</sup> recommend that the Field Pieces lately brought to Baltimore also come down with their Ammunition and apparatus. I have order<sup>d</sup> the 3<sup>d</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> to march this morning but if you think the arms can be got down this Evening or early to morrow it will be better for the Troops to receive than have them to Waggon to George Town

[Elie Williams, Eliz<sup>th</sup> town, to the Gov. & Council.]

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I have recieved and march<sup>d</sup> part of the Washington County Quota of Militia Recruits under the care of William Lewis & John Fisher two of the number who are very careful young men it was out of my power to get an Officer here to march them or Attend myself being obliged to Attend Court, the number March<sup>d</sup> is 48 the remaining part of our Quota are raising in the upper part of the County which from its remote Situation has prevented the Officers from having the recruits ready to March at this time, they will be sent on with all possible dispatch.

Arthur Boyes a recruit for during the War enlisted under the Act to procure recruits is also sent.

I expect they will join a party in Frederick Town & will be there put under the Command of a Commissioned Officer. I have inclosed a list of Recruits Draughts & Vagrants & Enlistments & hope they will all appear in good order.