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[M. Gist, Camp York, to His Excellency Governor Lee]

Major Giles left this place the 20th Instant, by whom I make no doubt you have been informed of the capitulation & surrender of the British Garrisons of York & Gloster. I have now the honor to enclose you a list of the prisoners amounting to 7050 exclusive of Seamen. 74 pieces of Brass & 140 of Iron Ordinance, with upwards of 10,000 Stand of Arms and a large quantity of stores &^{ca} have fallen into our hands the further particulars of which with the articles of capitulation, you will find publish'd in the public prints.

His Lordships defence of the post was not so obstinate as might be expected from an experienc'd and determin'd Officer, his errors impartially displayed wou'd increase his misfortunes and probably involve him in difficulties with the ministry as hazardous as those experienced thro' his Military operations in America.

His Excellency General Washington having since concerted measures with the Count De Grasse for our future operations—our Artillery and Stores are in consequence thereof embarking—perhaps Wilmington may be our first object.

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Enclosed is the State of my Brigade, exclusive of the Regiment of Virginians attach'd to it. The men enlisted to serve 'till the 10th Dec^r will be drawn from the others & left here, under proper Officers.

1 L ^t General	
1 Brigadier Gen ^l	
2 Colonels	
14 L ^t Colonels	
15 Majors	
90 Captains	
175 Lieut.	
46 Ensigns	
3 Cornets	
4 Chaplains	
6 Adjutants	
18 Q ^r Masters	
18 Surgeons	
25 Mates	
385 Serjants	
179 Drums & Fifes	
5953 Rank & file	
1 Town Mayor	} Hospital department
1 Commissary of Prisoners	
1 Ass ^t Q ^t Master	
1 Field Inspector	
3 Hospital Surgeons	
10 Mates	
2 Purveyors	
4 Stewarts	
2 Ward Masters	
19 Assistants	