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sels sailing from this port, 'till your pleasure should be known on the occasion which I beg your Excellency will please to communicate to me as early as possible

The Soldiers you request shall be put in readiness as far as in my power to proceed with the above Vessels, but the design cannot be carried into execution without your assistance as many of them are in extreme want of Clothing, and I fear the state of your Stores at Annapolis will prove inadequate to their immediate wants.

I shall also want your Order on the Commissary of Military Stores at this place for such Arms and Accoutrements as may be wanting to equip them for Action

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[Chas^s G^r Griffith, Mon^y County to His Excellency
Thomas Sim Lee]

Your Excellency will herewith Receive my Commission as Leut^t of Montgommery County It Being intirely out of my power to act as such any longer—without further Injuries to my own private affairs—I shall waite on Coll Murdoch Immediately whome is the Sen^r officer Here—and Deliver safe into his Custody—your Last package—Containing the acts of Assembly To procure Recruits—as also all other necessary papers To Inable him to proceed in Classing the Inhabitants of this County To make good our Quota—your Excellency and Honourable Council—I doubt not—from The foregoing Reason will Readily Except my Commission—I can assure you there is no person more Zealously attached to his Countrys cause then I am and am bold to say—I have never omitted Exerting Every nerve in my power—to Carry the laws of this state To the Best of my knowledge fully into Execution—Since the Contest with our Unnatural Emmissarys I am still Ready when Ever called on in any other Capacity—after Closing the Business of last year—or sooner if Required—to Confront the Ennemy among The Foremost.

Chas^s G^r Griffith

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[Jas Hamilton, Leonards farm near Frederick's Town, to
H. E. Governor Lee]

From a note I received just now from M^r Wall—he informs me that he is confined and to be sent to Anapolis, there tried for carrying Letters from Virginia here, which if no other than those sent me, cannot—respecting their contents affect him.

M^r Wall says there was five, it may be so I recollect only the enclosed of M^r Clarke's which I preserved as it was on Business, the others were as it always is my practice destroyed as soon as answer'd. They were as follows one from Lieut. Col^l Lentz. on the Germans ac^t one from L^t Col^l Lind, mentioning the moving of the above Troops & that the remainder of the British were likewise order'd to move; But that on his application to Col^l Wood they were to remain 3 were from M^r Weir Surgeon Gen^l giving an account of the Sick