

again and, as we are informed, Doors and Windows will be wanted  
as well as some Plank for the Floors. They need only be done in  
a rough Way. Mr Denton Jacques told the Governor that he believed  
his and Humphries Mills could soon furnish the Plank necessary.  
If your private Affairs will not permit you to attend to this Buiness,  
we request you will prevail on some Gent whose Activity can  
be relied on, to undertake the Management of it. Great Expedition  
is necessary and therefore we wish a sufficient Number of Workmen  
to be hired. Be so obliging as to acknowledge the Receipt of this  
and to advise us what Time we may expect the Barracks will  
be fit to receive the Prisoners —

We are &c.

To Samuel Hughes Esq: &c.

Gent:

In Council 25<sup>th</sup> Decr 1777.

M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Gerock brought down an Account of the Hospital at  
26. Baltimore which, though it may be very just, is more than we expected  
it would have amounted to. Possibly it may be, in some Measure,  
owing to People's remaining there who might be returned to their  
Duty or of others who are not likely to be fit for Duty. We therefore  
request you'll send us a List of those who are in the Hospital, noting  
what Service they belong to, and whether they are likely to be again  
fit for Service. —

We are &c.

To Doctor Gale, Baltimore

Gent:

In Council 25<sup>th</sup> Decr 1777.

We inclose you a copy of a Resolution of the General Assembly  
and, in consequence of it, an Appointment to adjust and settle the  
27. Militia Accounts, which, we flatter ourselves, you will take the  
Trouble to execute, as it will contribute greatly to the Ease and  
Convenience of the Claimants, who have deserved well of their Country.  
Nothing very material <sup>any</sup> occurs to us at present, but to request you'll  
make no Allowance to the Militia who deserted or came away  
before their Time had expired, without leave, and that you will  
preserve and transmit to us, all the Accounts and Vouchers, that  
this State may have due Credit in our Account with the Continent.

If any Difficulties should arise, on its being proposed, we shall be ready  
to give you our Sentiments thereon —

We are Your &c

To Joseph Nicholson

William Geddes & } Esq: &c  
Donaldson Yeates }