

In Council Annapolis 16th Apr! 1748.

Sir

No 168

We do not know what Number/Arms you can spare Col^o Hughes, if far as 100 Stand, we request you to do so, as we think the 50 will not be sufficient. We sent up some Barrels to White and Razor the other Day, which we hope, will be soon fitted. The Subject of your Letter, we thought very proper for the Consideration of the Assembly: it is laid before them and we expect a just and regular System will be adopted with Respect to Waggon. You shall be furnished with the Result, as soon as it is known to us.

We are &c

Col^o Charles Beatty

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Sir

We are desired by the Board of War, in a Letter received this Minute, to have a Number of Tin Boxes made for the Carriage of Cartridges: wherefore we request you'll not sell another Sheet of the Public Tin. We shall send up Directions as to making them, in a Day or two.

We are &c

Cap^t George Sheppard

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Sir

We have thought it necessary, from the Information given to us by Col^o Bordley's Letters rec^d this Morning to send 32 of our Matroses, two Field Pieces, such as we have, and two hundred small Arms, with Directions to proceed to Chester, if the Wind serves, if not, to land at Queen's Town, sending an Express, if they stop at Queen's Town to you and to Col^o Bordley. If the affair should grow more serious, call on Dorset, Talbot and Caroline for Assistance and advise us by all Means, of your Situation that we may if necessary, send you further Assistance from this Shore. If Things should be better, we desire that every Thing may be returned in the ~~form~~ State they are, as we do not know where or when they will be next most wanted.

We are &c

William Stensley Esq^r

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Sir

We send you thirty two Artillery Men, two Field Pieces, such as we have, two Hundred stand of good Arms and all the Cartouch Boxes we have fit for Use, about 130. We have directed that if the Wind serves they proceed to Chester Town and follow your Orders, that if the Wind will serve no farther, they proceed to Queen's Town and follow the Orders of Col^o Stensley, dispatching Expresses to both of you.