

In Council, 5th Feb. 1781.

- Sir. By a Resolution of the General Assembly we are empowered of no. 151. think necessary to order a full Company of Militia from your County to assist in guarding the Convention Troops. We are not acquainted with the numbers necessary to guard the Prisoners and therefore have wrote to the Lieutenant of Frederick, whom we have appointed to command the Guard informing him, that we should wish to you to order a full Company of Militia, from your County to march to Frederick Town. On his Application you will order them on his Duty without further Instructions.

Lieutenant of Montgomery.

In Council, 5th Feb. 1781.

- Sir. Enclosed you have a Resolution of the General Assembly directing a Guard over the Convention Troops to receive the Guard from Virginia. We wish you to take the command of the Guard and to order on Duty a full Company of the Militia from your County; we shall not order any other Company on Duty until we hear from you, as Col. Wood wrote to us he thought one hundred and fifty men with their proper Officers would be sufficient. The Company now ordered with Col. Wetmore and Capt Brown's Corps will exceed that number ^{but in fact}. The Corps above mentioned should not get get up in Time. We have directed the Lieutenant of Montgomery County on your Request to order a full Company of Militia from that County to march to Frederick Town.

Col. Baker Johnson.

In Council, 6th Feb. 1781.

- Sir. In consequence of the enclosed Resolution of the General Assembly of the 22nd Feb. 1781 we directed Capt Brown to march his Company to Frederick Town to strengthen the Guard over the British Convention Troops, and have been since informed that you have ordered part of that Company as Guard over the Stores proceeding to the Southward, which we attribute to your not being having been apprised of the Resolution of the Assembly. We request that you would have a Guard for the Protection of the Stores furnished from the Infantry