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at the most advantageous Posts for Defence, if the Enemy attempt to land in your County, but should you receive Intelligence of their being landed or about to land in either of the adjoining Counties, you will immediately march such parts of your Militia as may be necessary to that place as to assist in expelling the Enemy without waiting for our further Orders. See the Post Script about the Companies and number of Officers in the circular Francis Ware Esq.

In Council, 9th June, 1781.

Sir,

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The Troops of light Horse and other Militia are ordered immediately to George Town, if you have not a sufficient Quantity of Forage to supply them, we request you will immediately procure it on the best Terms you can and in the most expeditious Manner.

Thomas Richardson Esq.

In Council, 9th June, 1781.

Sir,

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Yours of the 7th Instant we have received, the necessary Forage will be provided before you reach George Town. Mr. Ridley is appointed Adjutant to the Troops of light Horse ordered into Service, and we have enclosed you a blank Warrant for a Quarter Master, which you will fill up as appears to you proper, you are also empowered to hire a Smith on the most reasonable Terms you can obtain one, to attend the General Corps of light Horse.

Capt. Nicholas R. Moore.

In Council, 9th June, 1781.

Sir,

Enclosed you have Warrants to apprehend Henry Bessacom of Washington County, Bitchy of Annetown Town, Kelly of Frederick County, Bleachy of Washington and Pinkles near Kelly, whose going at large we have the strongest Reason to believe from the Information of Capt. Brendorff is dangerous and may be detrimental to the State. The Capt. intends to have another Interview with them and converse fully on the Subject; He thinks they repose the utmost Confidence in him and will disclose all their Views and mention the Names of the principal Persons concerned in the Plot. If you think so bad consequences will arise from your delaying to execute the Warrants we request