

closely connected with each other as proposed, and not exceeding the number prescribed by law in any one Company; beginning at the upper part of the County adjoining Susquehanna and Pennsylvania and extending to the same in Breadth till your Regiment is completed, Col. O'Leary is also directed to begin at the lower end of the County and complete his Regiment in the same manner should there be a surplus directions will hereafter be given concerning them. It is presumed that Ensign Kirk is possessed of his commission as belonging to Abner White's company, to which W. Cobb is since appointed. As it is not necessary to commission the Ensign anew.

Lieut. Col^o Henry Hollingsworth

We are &c

Thos. Lee

In Council Annapolis September 6th 1794

Sir,

I have communicated to the Board your letter of the 4th Instant, stating the measures you have adopted for the safety of the public Armory and Magazine and I have to inform you that they meet with the fullest approbation.

From the Circumstances disclosed in your letter and in one just received from three of the Field Officers in Allegany (Cresap, Johnson and Jacobs) there appears to be such grounds of alarm as to require defensive arrangements even more efficient than those you have made.

The Discontents in Allegany are represented in so serious a light as to demand immediate steps on the part of Government to prevent their becoming extremely formidable.

At the present Crisis it is of the last importance that the Arsenal be in a state of perfect security and that this dangerous Spirit of Riot and Disorder which has begun to spread itself into Maryland should be checked and overruled in its commencement by firm and decided arrangements.

It is at the same time however of absolute necessity that the measures to be pursued for the accomplishment of these objects should be calculated to aggravate as little as possible, and that while the