

This kind to George Town may be dispensed with.

I have appointed Mr John Usher (Master) of Frederick Town Quarter Master and Commissary of Military Stores and shall fix his Salary at the rate you propose and is upon enquiry it shall appear that this double employment ought to entitle him to something more.

Yours Honble  
Alexander Hamilton Esq  
Secretary Treasury.

Samr Geo  
The Secy

Annapolis September 13<sup>th</sup> 1794.

Sir

I have thought myself compelled by the Information contained in your letter and that of Col Spragg and by advices from Allegany to adopt measures more vigorous and decisive than these hitherto concerted for the defence of the Armory and Magazine and for the restraint of that violent and dangerous spirit which begins to menace the Public Security in Allegany and Washington.

In order to convince these misguided men that Government will not permit a turbulent minority to trample on its laws and shake its tranquility by open force against its Citizens; I have directed a detachment of about seven or eight hundred men including Artillery and horse under the Command of two Majors and a Colonel to be immediately got in readiness and to march to Frederick Town as a Station where they may be used as circumstances require.

The vast importance of protecting the Arsenal and military Stores of the State against even possible Hazards and of overawing in its Infancy these alarming Associations against law and order give rise to this operation.

With a knowledge of the objects which the Arrangement has in view you will have it in your power to direct the Movements of the projected detachment which I place entirely under your Control without any particular designation from me of the Line of Conduct proper to be pursued. I may not be improper however to observe that offensive operations should be preceded by every possible