

Lyon of Baltimore County who will I expect contribute some Volunteers from  
their Troops and I shall likewise call on Captain Nelson of Frederick. He  
will I believe have a very respectable number of his own Troop ready to  
serve and who it is my intention shall have the Command of the whole  
which as he has seen service will I doubt not be satisfactory to the  
officers. I have only to add my request that you will use all possible  
dispatch in arranging this business with General Forrest and in sending  
on to Frederick Town as many Horsemen as can be prevailed on to serve.

Brigadier General  
Jeremiah Crabb.

I am &c  
Tho: J. Lee

Council Chamber October 11<sup>th</sup> 1794

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your favour of the 7<sup>th</sup> Instant with its enclosure  
and thank you very sincerely for your friendly hints as well as for  
your proffered exertions. Without entering at present into the circum-  
stances that have prevented General Smith's having Cavalry in his  
Command, I acknowledge the propriety of their being procured, if it can  
be done without applying the principle of draughting to them, the opera-  
tion of which it appears to me would bear unequally on them. I have there-  
fore determined to avail myself of your proposal which I desire you  
will carry into execution with all possible speed. General Crabb to  
whom I shall write will undoubtedly assist you by his influence though  
I believe it unnecessary with the Court House Troop; I shall likewise  
write to Captain Wilson and Lyon in Baltimore County whose Troops  
having hitherto done no duty will probably furnish some Volunteers.  
These I shall direct to proceed immediately to Frederick Town. and  
lastly I shall accept of Captain Nelson's offer of Service made long  
since and as he will have the Command of the whole I am in hopes  
he will be able to procure a respectable number from his own Troop.  
His having the Command will however depend on the acquiescence  
of Captain Boyce who is already with General Smith and whose  
Commission is of the same Date with Nelson's. I shall write to that  
Gentleman, who on my representation will I presume think it  
dishonourable to yield the Command to an officer who has seen  
service.

I think it probable that these arrangements will procure a strong  
Troop, which I conceive will be proportionate to the Number of Infantry  
Smith will have and of course please him on that Article. The