

In Council Annapolis July 19/813

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We sent a few days ago, sixty Swords for the Cavalry of Charles. Since then we have received a few Pistols and now send forty for the same Troops. An equal number of Swords and Pistols are now sent to Port Tobacco for the Troops in Saint Marys. The Flints, Cartridges and Sword Belts, to be equally divided between them. When Holsters and Sword Belts can be made they will be forwarded. Many other Articles should be sent, they will be for the Infantry and we wish them to be committed to the care of some person till Gen. Hawkins can be informed of them. We would again urge the propriety of calling out only as many of the Cavalry as are indispensable. Besides the increased expence to which they put the State, it is impossible except in small numbers, they can be of any essential service.

We are with Respect

Lieutenant Colonel Francis Newman

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In Council Annapolis July 23-1813

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We have received sundry Accounts for Articles furnished the Militia. When Mr. Lowe was over we advanced to him a Sum of Money on his Account. This Account Mr. Pinkney has placed out of our reach, and left town some days since, in consequence of ill health. Not many of the Arms, for which we have contracted have yet come to hand. But we can spare from the Armoury here about four hundred Muskets and some few Rifles, and have directed that the Easton Packet call by and take them. We have received a large Account for Express riding. It is doubtful whether the fund in our hands can be applied to payment of Expresses from one Officer to another when the Cavalry is called out they ought to be employed as Expresses and with some additional pay. You wrote to us some days ago, recommending a young gentleman, to be employed to make Holsters. Before the receipt of your letter, we had contracted for as many as we shall want. We wish to employ him to make Sword Belts and Cartouch Boxes. The price of the latter is one dollar and sixty one cents. of the former, we have not ascertained the price. If he is willing at the price mentioned to make for us Cartouch Boxes, you will