

Genl.

We have requested Mr. Pringle to purchase on account of this Province the private adventures of Powder imputed in the wild Dick Capt. Tibbitt lately arrived in Delaware at such prices as you may advise. We therefore desire your assistance in that matter and are

Yrs D.

To Deputies of W. in Congess.

Sir

As our thanks are due to yourself and those generous men that with alacrity and ardor stepped forth on the late alarm to the assistance and protection of their neighbours and fellow citizens, we request you will accept of them and present them likewise to those battalions and Companies of your District that appeared on that occasion.

In Council of Safety

per order - We are &c

Annapolis March 15 1776.

To Brig Genl. Burchaman

Balt County

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We are sorry the proceedings of the Convention thro' the negligence of our Clerk should not have reached you before the day you mention; and think with you, that the not allowing those in your County that may hereafter be enrolled, some time to consider ~~and~~ the alternative given them, would be treating them with too great rigour, and are of opinion that the indulging them till the fifte of April, will be giving them time sufficient and be an instance of lenity towards them that we are persuaded will meet with the approbation of the Convention.

per order —

In Council of Safety

Annapolis March 16 1776.

To the Committee of Observation

for Balt County.

Sir

We have received your favour of the 12<sup>th</sup> instant incloving censures of officers in the Militia who have refused to accept them and now transmit you others to supply their places. The same motives that led you to withhold them so long, which we think you are highly commendable in doing, we hope will induce you still to persist in your efforts to settle and quiet the minds of the people at this alarming Crisis of our affairs and to revive them to the appointments of field officers in your County which the last Convention thought proper to make and we cannot but flatter ourselves when they reflect reverently on the consequences which will inevitably flow from the measures they have adopted, that they will no longer pursue them. If our expectations should not however be answered in a short time and they should obstinately persevere, it will then become our indispenible duty to promment them, tho' disagreeable expedients and to exert the powers which we are invested with for the public with a view to that end.

We have fixed the station of the troops for your County at Blenot's Mill House on Kent Island and shall order them to repair there as soon as they can be supplied with provisions which we imagine will be by the last of next week at furthest. We are &c  
No Col. Tho Wright