

of provisions upon rendering of accounts what ever Balance appears to be due to you shall be paid. {December 11th 1776} We are Sir

Thomas Smyth Esquire Chester Town. With respects &c

December 12th 1776

Gentlemen, We received your letter by Dr. Fisher and accounts of expenses transmitted for the last money sent up. This account we have sent to the board of accounts - We send you three hundred pounds to pay the most pressing of your demands; and we entreat you to furnish the particulars of the expenses with Vouchers to pass the board of accounts, without which we cannot advance any further large sums in Gross. We are under the disagreeable necessity of repeating this request about the accounts because we expect the publick will censure us for advancing large sums in Gross without any account. - We please therefore to send down the accounts and whatever the Balance may be it shall be paid. - and any further advance made that may be necessary.

We are Gentlemen

Committee of ob. Frederick County.

your most ob. Servant &c.

Annapolis Dec. 12th 1776

Sir, We are requested by Mr. Charles Barrer to desire your attendance in Congress so soon as your private concerns will permit and we should be glad that you may have it in your power to gratify him.

We are Sir &c.

December 12th 1776

Sir, By Letters lately received from our delegates in Congress we are strongly desired to press your joining them as soon as you can with any degree of convenience to yourself. They say that Congress is very thin and entreat your immediate attendance - in which we join & wishing you a pleasant journey,

Mr. Thomas Johnson Esquire

They are, Sir, &c

December 13th 1776

Gentlemen, Some papers of an alarming nature have been produced to our board Melkion Keemer signed "Legion" dated in Baltimore Town originating in a club called the Whig Club as we are informed, which seems to assume to themselves not only Legislative but even Executive powers, and we hear others of the like import have been sent to several persons. Conceiving ourselves vested by the late Convention with the executive power, we cannot pass over this procedure; it is contrary to our Association, flying in the face of Congress and against the spirit of our declaration of our Rights. - The peace of our state ought to be sincerely preserved therefore we call upon you the Committee of observance for Baltimore County to point out to us any person who may have acted contrary to the Resolves of the Convention or the Laws of this State so as to endanger the same and we