

Will stay long at Saint Georges Island, expect he will move
up Potowmack, or to the Eastern Shore: — perhaps up the Bay
to Annapolis, or Baltimore Town. — We shall send you
further intelligence as soon as we receive it, — Our
Flying Camp are coming in almost every Day but many
of them without Arms Blankets, or any other necessaries;
a question has arisen, as to their subsistence, neither Congress
nor Convention have made any provision for them, during
the time the Men are drawing together, nor whilst they remain
unarmed, and unprovided with necessaries, which will amount
to something considerable — we intend sending them for the
Battalion, that are to supply the place of our own Regulars.
We wish you to apply to the Congress, and let us know what
is to be done about subsistence for the other Battalions, they are
all coming to us to be supplied with almost every necessary,
and you may Judge our Situation is very disagreeable, not
having it in our power to answer their Demands. — Our
Militia in a general way during this time of Invasion cannot be
persuaded to lend their Arms, most of those, who enlist, have none
of their own. — We take it for granted, it would answer very little
purpose to send you a Number of Men unarmed, and unprovided
with necessaries, and therefore do not order them forward. — We
congratulate you on the Victory that hath been obtained in South
Carolina by the Americans over the British Fleet, some of Commodore
Parker's Squadron have met with a severe drubbing according to
the Particulars we have heard, of which, we doubt not, you have more
perfect information before this time. — We send you the
Maryland Gazette in which are inserted some particulars of the Damage
sustained by Commodore Parker. — We have information from
below that Lord Dummore hath been beat off at Quinns Island.