

to Virginia. — Dispatches have been sent to the military  
throughout this State to hold their different Corps in readiness  
to march upon the shortest notice.

It gives us concern to find from information just now received from Dochester and Caroline Counties on the Eastern shore that there are likely to be disturbances in those Counties (for want of salt, it is said) of a serious nature; — the Progress the disaffected have made we have not time to transmit, by this Opportunity without detaining your Messengers; but we shall send duplicates of the information we received to our Delegates by To Morrow's Post, who probably will arrive in Philadelphia, almost as soon as this bears.

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Capt<sup>n</sup> John Martin

Sir, In answer to yours of the 17<sup>th</sup> we must observe that if Capt Stone should be so obstinate as to persist in the Prigg (after he has petitioned the Convention, and desired the same to be postponed to next Session; we shall take care to give security to answer all Damages on behalf of the State, and send him away, so that you need not regard what is said about a writ of Habeas Corpus.

An Anchor and Cable you may have if to be got, — the 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> and small Bells be please to order at Capt<sup>n</sup> Ridgely's Warehouse, if there be none to spare in the stores — should any writ of Habeas Corpus be issued on the Prigg, let us know immediately.

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