

Mr. Jesse Hollingsworth

Sir, We have received your favour & approve of your loading the Brig in the manner you have done & intend to do & are glad to hear she is so near being ready. The Tobacco, as you will observe, will do for the ship, as will any more that you or we may purchase - The Ild of Rum is come to hand - We have applied to Cap. Smith with respect to your marching, he will settle the matter with you at the same time we repeat our Opinion, that you & your fluk will be of such ill consequence to the Business you have undertaken for this State, that it cannot be suffered & you & your fluk must be excused from attending military duty. Mr. Dogan must take up all the Stone that is likely to be Damaged & to him we have written for that Purpose.

We are &c

P. S. We please to sell our bread as we have a large Quantity, taking care to reserve sufficient for the use of Military that may want -

February 8th 1777

Brigadier General Hooper

Sir, We send forward an Express to let you know that there is an addition of force to that under yourself and Col. Richardson that has been put in Motion viz

of Regiment of Virginia Regulars	300
Col. Buchanan's Regiment	350
Company of Artillery from Am ^r	30
General Smallwood's Regulars	300

We are requested by the General Assembly to write you immediately and give information of the advance of the Troops and desire you would let us know immediately whether it be necessary to continue the Force put in Motion under their marching orders or whether the Insurrection be suppressed and the Army leaders apprehended so that no further assistance may be required send us frequent expresses to let us know the State of the County and be assured if further assistance be wanted you shall have it as soon as possible

We are &c

February 07th 1777