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James Calhoun Esq^r Chairman of Balt. Committee.

Sir

We are obliged by your Information about the Prison and are of Opinion, that the Committee without Loss of Time appoint some proper Person in whom they can confide, to take care of the Prisoners therein & find them Provision. This in all Probability, will not continue longer than till the Qualification of the Governor & his Council, when Commissions will issue to the several electors. This is a necessary Step, which we conceive must be immediately taken to prevent those People being let at large, who ought to be kept under Confinement.

February 22. 1777

We are *Yrs*

Capt. George Cooke.

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Sir

We are in great want of 6. four pounder to fit out a Gally immediately for a particular expedition down the Bay we should be obliged to you to let Mr. Steward have them and you may depend upon their being returned before the Defences can be ready to proceed on a Siege.

February 22. 1777

We are *Yrs*

Richard Peters Esq^r, Secretary to the Board of War

No 173

Sir

In Compliance with the Request of the Board of War we have furnished Doct. Samuel M'Kenzie with such Medicines as we could possibly spare & sincerely wish it had been in our Power to have done it more amply. but considering the number of Sick in this State & our low Stock of Medicines, we could not part with a larger Quantity.

February 25. 1777

We are *Yrs*