

of a General Return of the Battalion & Veazy's Company being all the Troops I march'd from Maryland with the Accoutrements & Camp Equipage taken in Philadelphia to be rendered the Congress together with our Weekly Gen'l Return. The Independants are now about their Returns of Arms Accoutrements & Camp Equipage brought by them from Maryland, but not having Time to finish, they must hereafter be return'd to Council of Safety, we have upwards of Three Hundred Officers & Soldiers of the Maryland Regulars very sick which you will observe by the Return and I am sorry to say, it's shocking to Humanity [to have no more Care taken of them—] this must hurt the Service upon the New Enlistments—Majors Price & Gist & Capⁿ Stone are in the Jerseys very Sick, and Col: Ware and myself are very unfit for Duty tho' we attend it—many more Officers are very unwell—I am very respectfully

Your obedient & very hble Servant
W. Smallwood

Sunday 13th October 1776
with the Troops having marched and

Sir

Col: Smallwood not having Time to make a fair Copy of the rough Draught, from which the above is copied desired me to do it and Sign his Name, which I have done accordingly and am your obedient & very humble Servant

Chris^r Richmond

P. S. it is now near Sun Set and we have }
heard no firing, or any News of an Action }
above King's bridge which has been hourly }
expected }

The Hon^{ble} Math^w Tilghman Esq^r
President Convention Maryland.

[R. Beall to Council.]

Original.

York Island 12th October 1776.

Gentlemen. In obedience to your orders of the 11th Sep^t and 3rd October have inclosed you an account of arms and accoutrements received of the State of Maryland by the Troops under my command, with a monthly return to the 10th Inst. of the number, state & condition of said troops, I have had some trouble in getting an account of the arms &c Some Captains have not kept a regular account of what they received, which makes me think the inclosed acc^t is not so correct as it ought to be, though the best I could get.

Cap^t Richardson and Cap^t Goldsberry of Colo Richardson's