

proper to purchase them. Please to Let me know by the Bearer as July 3
the Owners has promised not to Dispose of them untill your pleas-
ure should be Known. As I have not Received near the Quantity of
CORN that you Ordered the Commissioners to Deliver me, and but
a small part of the Bran & shorts as the Greatest part was not Ready
when we wanted them most as the Horses belonging to the Line
was passing; I was Under the Necessity of Borrowing They now
tell me they have your Excellencies Orders to Deliver the whole to
M^r Donnelan. I begg that you would send an order either to the
Commissioners to Deliver me the Quantity Mentioned in your order
or Direct M^r Donelen to let me have it as the Post must Otherwise
suffer I mean the Commissioner for the County as them for the
Town had no Bran nor Shorts and I Receiv'd the Corn.

[Upton Sheredine and Ephraim Howard, Frederick County, July 4
Certificate]

The Bearer hereof M^r Jacob Blythe, having formerly served in
the Continental Army as an Ensign; but receiving a Wound in his
Side, at the white Plains, in the year 1778, he was obliged to resign,
and leave the Service, untill he could get cured of the same. And
being now perfectly recovered, and still desirous of Serving his
Country, in a Military way, as a Lieutenant in the new Maryland
Regiment.

The Subscribers do therefore, hereby Certife, that the said Jacob
Blythe, is a person well attached, to the Cause of America in Gen-
eral, and to the Service of this State in particular; and that, we be-
lieve him to be qualified, to fill a Lieutenants Commission in the
Army. We do therefore Recommend the said Jacob Blythe to his
Excellency the Governor, and the Council of Maryland, for a Lieu-
tenancy in the extra Regiment, proposed, to be raised by this State.

[Chas. Lee Secy Treasury Office to His Excel Governor Lee]

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Sir Your letter of the twenty sixth ult^o to the President of Con-
gress has been referred to this Board. They are happy in finding
the resolution of the eighteenth of march approved by the State of
Maryland and will direct the Quota of new bills required by your
State to be prepared and transmitted with as much dispatch as possi-
ble. However they beg leave to inform you that the proceedings in
that business cannot be begun untill they are furnished with the Act
passed by your Legislature in pursuance and ratification of the sys-
tem proposed in the resolution of the eighteenth of March last. It is
essentially necessary to have the date and title of it at least, which
you will please to order to this board as soon as possible.