

April 3 af^d plan we must be supplied with provision, and arms. Would it not be advisable to direct Capⁿ Ford to furnish what may be wanted, and for the Sheriff to be directed to supply him with money for that purpose. The Powder we have here is not good owing as I suppose to its being kept too long, it might answer for Cannon, of which we have about one hundred and fifty W^t exclusive of the Bar^{le} sent with the Cannon. Great quantities of Powder has been wasted for the want of Cartridge boxes, shuld be glad to be supplied with one hundred, besides what may be sent with any Arms that you may think proper to supply us with. You will be kind enough to pay the expences of the Persons that will deliver you this, and let me hear from you by him, If you have any news shuld be glad to be informed of it.

P. S. Our Taxes can only be paid by Tob^o being carried to the Warehouses which in my opinion is very improper considering how we are circumstanc'd

April 3 [Jeremiah Jordan Col^o, Vernon Hebb Col^o, Jn^o Thomas, Lt. Col^o, to Col. Richard Barnes]

As an Armed Force is now in Saint Marys River, and information Just received that the Enemy have Landed on Saint George's Island as it said in force, We think the Safety of the County require that something should immediately be done.

We advise that application be immediately made to the Governor & Council for at Least Two hundred good Muskets with Bayonets & Cartouch Boxes Compleat be sent to this County; also Eight Cannon if they Can be spared will be of great service. We undertake to say that at least one hundred men mounted on horses will immediately turn out for the Service (provided they Can be Armed) which we think will be the best present defence we Can make.

April 4 [W. Smith, Hugh Young, Ja^s Calhoun, David Stewart, Thos. Russell, Dan Bowly, R. Ridgely, Mark Pringle, W^m Russell, Matt: Ridley, W^m Young, L Goodwin, Nich. Ruxton Moore, Rob^t Gilmor, Ben Crockett, D. Carroll, David Poe, Hen. Brown, John McLure, Walter Roe, J. Griest, David Shields, Philip [Shields?], David Stodder, Rob Long, W^m Hammond, W^m Taylor, T. Yates, David McMechen, Mark Alexander, David Rees, James Ryan, Geo. Turnbull, Balt. Town, to His Excy, the Govr & Hon'ble Council.]

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The inhabitants of this Town, reflecting on the insecure and defenceless situation of this Post, the Devastation and Outrages committed of late by the Enemy, in the Prosecution of the War, and the Probability that Baltimore Town may become an object; have, concluded to make application to your Excellency and Honors, that the Militia of Balt. Town, might be embodied and called out on duty, in Defence of this Place, for at this Period a very small Force might