

1862

May 26th

The Governor directed the usual notice to be published of an application for a Habeas Corpus in the case of Washington Ratchiff indicted in the Criminal Court of Baltimore City at the September term 1861 for Larceny.

May 27th

The Governor issued a commission to Leonard S. Parker as 2nd Lieutenant Battery 'B' 1st Regt Artillery

Same day Commissions issued to sundry officers of the 5th Maryland Regiment - see military record

Same day the Governor commissioned John H. Sealbrook as Justice of the Peace of the 4th District of Frederick County.

May 28th

The Governor issued the following
Proclamation

State of Maryland

Executive Department

Annapolis May 28th 1862.

I have deemed it my duty at this time to offer on behalf of this State to the Government of the United States additional volunteers to serve for three years or during the war and to be employed by the Government when and where it may think proper in aid of the work in which it is now engaged of subduing the rebellion. In answer to this proposal I have received from the War Department the assurance that any such additional volunteers will be at once accepted.

Being satisfied that it has been at all times the anxious desire of the loyal men of Maryland to do their whole duty to the nation and their own State in this matter - an anxiety that has been stimulated to the utmost by recent events - I deem it unnecessary to make them any other proclamation or appeal, than simply to make known the fact that their services will be accepted by the Government and an immediate opportunity afforded to all who are disposed to offer them.

To that end Col. Wm. Lewis Schley of the 5th Maryland Volunteers has at my request been detached for a short time from his command with the view of superintending this service. It is proposed to raise without delay two additional regiments of Infantry and Col. Schley will take immediate measures to carry that purpose into effect. He will give public notice of the places where volunteers may enroll themselves and make all other preliminary arrangements for the prompt discharge of the duty confided to him; and whenever the required is obtained for either regiment, it will be at once organized, armed and equipped and mustered into the service of the United States.

A. W. Bradford

17th June 1862