

Sir,

The Convention at their last sitting agreed with Mr. Henry Bollingworth for a quantity of Bayonets at 8/ each, as soon as they are furnished which we imagine will be shortly we will take care that you shall be supplied and therefore would not have you contract for any at a different Price. We are sorry you are so very disagreeably circumstanced as well as to the situation of your station, as the smallness of your quarters, and as we are desirous of rendering matters as comfortable as possible for you, request you will enquire whether there is a probability of your being better provided at any other place on the Island, and upon what Terms, that if we approve them, we may remove you from your present quarters as soon as possible. You shall have *ornat.* as soon as we can spare it we expect some soon from Baltimore.

To W<sup>m</sup> Harrison.

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Gentlemen. we received Mr. Stone's Letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> Instant and are obliged for the intelligence therein contained. we have heretofore wrote you by Mr. Steward, which doubt not you have received, the Governour is not yet gone; we expect he will leave the Province in a few days, what Interruption the Virginians will or can give him in his passage down the Bay time will discover. we send you enclosed a copy of their Resolves, which came by express this day directed to C. Carroll Esq<sup>r</sup> Chairman of the Convention and appear to have been fabricated sometime after our convention had broke up. You will see clearly the intention is to stir up the people ag<sup>t</sup> the powers now in being. Deputies in Congress, Convention, and Council of safety, for which they deserve to be properly rewarded, how far such proceedings tend to promote union and harmony amongst the Colonies you will judge as well or better than we can. we intend returning them a short answer and leave to the Convention when they meet again to give them the payment they deserve. Should the Congress think proper to request us to march our militia in the manner F. S. hath intimated, we must be under the disagreeable necessity of calling the Convention, tis not with us to say they shall march out of the province; and we doubt the militia themselves will be backward in so doing till all danger of Invasion here be at an end for the season. 3400 militia would take all the arms we have that are serviceable, and then what condition would our own province be in; we should become an easy prey to the men of war and tenders that will swarm in the Bay during the summer, and perhaps the ministerial troops may be tempted by our weakness

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