

It would be exceedingly hard on me, who left the Regular Service, where my Commission was on a certainty, and gave it up and run my chance in the Flying Camp in order to get myself promoted (if I merited it) amongst that Corps if they were re-listed. Should now return to my former post in the Regulars and take my rise from that. This is a strange way of arguing, it appears to me, my formerly being an Officer of the Regulars is a disservice to me, if I am not to be promoted. I am, Gentlemen, with great respect.

The Honble Council of Safety & Your Most Obedt & Humble Servt
Annapolis \cong Danl. Adams.

Gentlemen.

In Committee Baltimore 13th January 1777.

We received your letter of the 9th Inst relative to the proceedings of the Whig Club, and in consequence called Mr. Edwards of Capt. Galbraith's Company before us to give information who it was gave him notice to depart this Town, that it might enable us to Summon them before us and examine into the matter, but he only produced a letter directed to him signed, Legion. We have heard there is such a body as the Whig Club, and that it is composed of great numbers, but as no individual has been pointed out we cannot take any cognizance of it.

This Committee have on all occasions exerted their utmost influence to preserve the peace of the State (so far as their very limited powers extend) and will continue to do it, but while the State remain in the present Confusion, without any Law or any Constitution it cannot be expected but that irregularities will ensue. We must therefore earnestly recommend it to your Honble Board to convene the Legislature as soon as possible that our Constitution may be carried into effect and that we may be represented in Congress.

There has been an information given this day that a number of People in the upper part of this County has been forming a petition to Lord Howe, and that one Maddin can give further light into the affair. We have issued a Summons for him to attend the 21st Inst. when we will examine into the matter.

We herewith transmit to you the deposition of John Handman a sargeant belonging to this State, who we understand may be found near French Town in Cecil County. This deposition was taken against John Poff, when he was gone to Virginia and consequently not present. On his return we called him before us and examined Elizabeth Dewitt, wife to Thomas Dewitt Prison Keeper, and also two witnesses in his favour, the purport of which is herewith inclosed. We have obliged him to enter into bond in the Sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned that he will appear before your Boards at any time you may think proper to cite him and that in the meantime he will use good behaviour towards this and the rest of the United States. We are Gentlemen, with Esteem, Yours,
(Signed per order) James Calhoun.
Chairman