

1701 June 29. 1781
Colonel William Buckley
Lieutenant of the 6th Regiment

(No public answer.)

His Excellency Joseph Hood Esquire
Lieut. & Deputy

St. Philip's

The above this morning discovered an attempt by the Regiments
to undermine the fortification, in order to effect their escape -
However the timely discovery has prevented its being put
into execution.

Sir

Lancaster, June 23. 1781

The serious purport of this letter (which I must, at this time, tho' you are so deeply engag'd in other public business, press upon your Excellency & the Hon^{ble} Council.) will I promise myself require no apology - any thing of this nature, will be unnecessary. - I shall therefore immediately proceed, and lay before you (in addition to the Representations heretofore made in my letters of the 6th & 17th instant) Our Situation with respect to the Guards here.

This compleats the sixth day, since they have drawn (excepting four fowls) any Provisions - The whole of them have called this morning to inform me, that they cannot think of continuing any longer on Duty in their present situation, that they could not help concluding from their treatment, - we either mean to starve, or force them, to some other extremity. - I have wd every opinion & influence in my power - hitherto, to justify them, with promises, which I find I cannot perform - (The Company (excepting fowls) has no Provisions, nor has he means (as he informs me) to procure any - The cause of complaint is repairing every day more & more & unless some steps are taken to remove them, the consequences which must follow must appear obvious to your Excellency & the Hon^{ble} Council.

Our situation in other respects is not less alarming - My Apprehensions with respect to the

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into execution.

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John W. Adams
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Mr. Andrew Lawrence

His Excellency Joseph R. Hooker
David's Army

John W. Adams