

17th July 1777 from M. Scott  
Capt. York County

His Excellency Joseph Mifflin,  
Esquire. Headquarter in Council  
Philadelphia

York July 28<sup>th</sup> 1777

Sir

I Received your Excellency's Letter of the  
28<sup>th</sup> June respecting the Light Horse of our County,  
I immediately gave notice of the resolve of Council  
and required an answer as soon as possible; but  
has not rec<sup>d</sup>. a return of the numbers who are  
willing to engage in that service.

The Convention Prisoners are not yet come to us  
altho' daily expected.

Agreeable to your Excellency's Orders of the 26<sup>th</sup>  
June I call'd one Class of the Militia and am in  
hopes they will furnish the first Guard; if not  
I will call an other.

I have also mark'd out a Place <sup>about five miles from town</sup> for their Camp:  
I would be glad to know if the owners <sup>of the land</sup> are to be paid  
for the Timber which must be had for their accommo-  
dation and when it may be expected.

I have rec<sup>d</sup>. upwards of twenty thousand Pound. old  
Continental Money in Militia Taxes; and also a  
few thousand from some of those who did not provide  
seven Months Men and the Money lies up in  
my hands; therefore begs your Excellency  
would order some way of exchanging the Money  
and direct us what pay the seven Months Men  
are to receive from the Pay Master

J.

I wou<sup>d</sup> ere now have settled the Militia accounts  
but was prevented by several of the Officers  
being oblig<sup>d</sup> to attend the Assembly at their  
last sitting; But so soon as the Harvest is ended  
I shall prepare both the Militia and Purchasing  
accounts and lay them before the Honourable  
Council; or where they may Pleas<sup>e</sup> direct

I have the Honour to be

your Excellency's

most Obedient

Humble serv<sup>t</sup>

W<sup>m</sup> Scott

To his Excellency Joseph Brad Esquire  
President in Council