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Williamsburg april 28th 1776. ①

Gentlemen,

In Committee of Safety.

We have received intelligence from N. Carolina that they are sending off a number of their Tory Prisoners to be kept, partly in Pennsylvania, others in your Province & the remainder in our's. We have at their request sent a Guard to Escort twenty six designed for Pennsylvania, & twelve for your's to Alexandria, to which place you will please to dispatch directions where you mean to have your's kept, and appoint a proper guard for conveying them, and also for escorting those for Pennsylvania through your Province. We need not hint the necessity of using caution to prevent their Escape as their return to Carolina may be attended with bad Consequences.

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

I am Gentlemen Your most obed. Humble Servant

Edm.d Pendleton S.

For the Committee