August 20 being so infested by the Enemy, I thought it too hazardous to risque it, Since which from being Stored in a very Close room there is about Two hundred Bushels damaged, which if you think it advisable I cou'ld get exchanged for new Corn at the fall

August 21

[Jas. Gillespie, Wash. Co., to Gov. Lee]

[Accepts commission in extra regiment and expects to go to Annapolis on August 23].

August 21 Red Book No. 23 Letter

[Thos. Polk, Charlotte, to Gov. Lee]

May it please your Excellency Some time ago I received an No. 68 Appointment from Major Gen<sup>1</sup> Gates as Commissary Gen<sup>1</sup> of purchases for the Army under his command upon receipt of which I have Applied my own money exerted my Credit & purchased a Considerable Quantity of provisions a great part of which now remain at the Magazine here and at other convenient places I Continue to supply the retreating troops from the late unhappy Defeats & intend to Continue to purchase and Supply. I am now in need of money and hath Dispatched the bearer Major W<sup>m</sup> Polk with an order from Gen<sup>l</sup> Gates for £100,000 Virginia Cury weh I hope will be duly honored without delay

August 22 Red Book No. 32

Letter

[Timothy Pickering, quarter master general to Gov. Lee]

You will doubtless have been informed, that by the new  $N_{0.8}$  plan for conducting the quarter master general's department it is required that the deputy quarter master of a State be approved by the executive thereof. I therefore do myself the honour to acquaint you that I have appointed Donaldson Yates Esqr deputy quarter master for the States of Maryland and Delaware of which I request the approbation of your Excellency and the honourable council of Maryland, so far as the appointment relates to your States; and that you will be pleased to favour me with your determination as soon as shall be convenient.

I have the honour to be with very great respect your Excellency's most obedient Servant

P. S. Mr Yates dwells at Turner's Creek, Kent County on the eastern shore, but if his appointment be approved, he will remove to the Head of Elk.

August 22

[James Hindman Talbot County to His Excellency Thomas Sim Lee]

Sir I wrote you a fortnight ago by Mr Gibson, and flattered myself with an answer on his return, but am much disappointed,