

Lib. C. B. out of the Paper Office to purchase Beef Pork Tobacco & that
 p. 316 the Sum of Two hundred Pounds Sterling be taken out of the
 hands of M^r William Hunt Merchant in London and be trans-
 mitted to New York for purchasing Bread for the Soldiers

To his Excy Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor of Maryland

The humble Address of the house of Delegates of the
 said Province

May it please your Excellency

In Compliance with his Majesty's Pleasure expressed in his Grace the Duke of Newcastles Letter to Thomas Bladen Esq^r late Gov^r of this Province dated at Whitehall 9 April 1746 This house exerted themselves to the utmost Ability of his Majestys Subjects the People of Maryland, to encourage 300 Able Bodied freemen to inlist in his Majestys service for the intended Expedition to Canada, and to transport them to the Place of Rendezvous; In which Letter the said Thomas Bladen Esq^r was directed as follows Viz. "As to the Article of Arms "and Cloathing for the Men to be raised, his Majesty has "commanded me to recomēd it to you, and the other Gov- "ernors to take Care, that the Soldiers may be provided with "them: And his Majesty has authorized & empowered Lieu- "tenant General S^t Clair to make a reasonable Allowance for "defraying that Expence" But as no Arms were to be pur- chased here for that purpose, to prevent, as much as lay in our power, any Lett to that Expedition, The Quantity of 300 Muskets with Slings & Bayonets, 300 Cartouch Boxes with Belts, Six Drums, nine half Pikes and Six Halberts, were by Consent of this house supplied out of the Publick Magazine of this Province on Condition of the like Quantity being again replaced for the Use of the Publick; The transacting of which Matter was referred to the said Thomas Bladen Esq^r and it was hoped by this house He would have taken suitable measures in Relation thereto; But as It is not known to this house that anything hath been done therein, We pray that your Excellency will be pleased to use such Instances as may procure the like Quantity of Arms to be replaced in the publick Magazine of this Province in Lieu of the aforesaid Arms supplied for that Service agreeable to the Clauses in an Act entituled "An Act "for issuing and taking out of the Office of the Commissioners "or Trustees appointed for emitting Bills of Credit the Sum "of £ 4500 Current money for Encouragement of such able "bodied Freemen as shall voluntarily enlist themselves into "his Majestys Service for the intended Expedition against "Canada; and for maintaining and conveying them to the