

desired Success. This Board are of Opinion that the Tax of fifteen and five per Centum, as the Case may be, is to be levied and collected from such Classes as fail to furnish Substitutes or Deserters. The Commissions for Militia Officers are enclosed agreeable to your Request. You will have the Militia marched to the Head of Elk where they are to rendezvous and where they will be provided with Arms and every other Necessary for Marching &^{ca}

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[Council to The Worshipful the Justices of Cecil County Court]

Gent. The enclosed Commissions were issued agreeably to your Request as intimated by M^r Williams's Letter of the 26th May

[Council to Nathaniel Potter, Esqr.]

Sir. Yours of the 23^d Inst. we have this Day received and are Sorry to observe that you should have so unpromising a Prospect of procuring the Articles absolutely necessary for furnishing and Supporting our Army We could not conceive that any of the good Citizens of this State would, at this Crisis, withhold these necessary Commodities, and we wish not to be under the Necessity of using the last Resort, a Seizure. We hope and expect the Farmers will readily vend their Wheat, Flour &^{ca} and receive Certificates or wait a Short Time for their Money which we shall be enabled to pay as fast as Taxes come in. We think you ought not to exceed 22..10..0 for Wheat 67..10..0 for Flour, 375 £ for a Barrel of Pork and 60s. for a Pound of Bacon; these are high and generous Prices. It is altogether out of our Power to furnish you with the Money you require, and still Trust that you will be able to make your Purchases on the Credit of this State. The Wheat you receive we wish to have manufactured into Flour as fast as possible and would readily send you the Nails, if we had them. We have not supplied M^r Wederstrandt with any Money lately. You will frequently inform us of your Proceedings in your Purchases

[Council to the Lieutenants of the Several Counties]

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Sir We desire you will have the Soldiers who may be delivered to you in Virtue of the Act to procure Recruits to complete the Battalions of this State in the Service of the United States and to raise an additional Battalion, the Supplement thereto, and the "Act to expedite the raising an additional Battalion of Regulars," immediately marched to Chester Town, where Cloaths and Provisions will be furnished them by Officers who will be in Readiness to receive them.

NB those on the W. Shore are directed to send the Recruits to Annapolis