

to furnish the Supply that would be probably wanted for our own Army and the Count, M<sup>r</sup> Holkers Agents, in Concurrence with the Governor of Maryland took measures to procure 8000 Barrels of flour in your State of which the Comm<sup>ies</sup> of Congress was informed & did approve as being necessary at that time, but being since told there is a great reason to Suspect that Certain persons being actually or pretendidly Agents for M<sup>r</sup> Holker have made large purchases of flour beyond the quantity afores<sup>d</sup> and by creating a Competition & out bidding our Commissaries, have greatly inhanced the price of flour, and retarded those Supplies which are necessary for the Subsistance of our Army, we request your Excellencys attention to this affair, and that proper enquiry be made and that all the flour purchased by any person whatever except the Complement of Eight thousand barrels afores<sup>d</sup> & of 4000 before in M<sup>r</sup> Smiths hands for M<sup>r</sup> Holker be turned over to the Commissary Gen<sup>l</sup> of purchases, as the only Channel through which Supplies for our army & our allys Can in future be regularly obtained and desire that hereafter no purchases of flour on public account be allowed in your State but by the Commissary General & his Deputies and we refer you to Col Blain for more particular Information on this head.

p<sup>r</sup> order of the Com<sup>tee</sup> of Congress on the Coms<sup>y</sup> & Qu<sup>r</sup> Ms<sup>tr</sup> Generals departments Your Excellencys Most obed<sup>t</sup> humb<sup>l</sup> servant

P. S. the flour purchased to Carry to Virginia agreable to the resolve of Congress for that purpose, is not to be affected by any thing in the above letter

[Sam Huntington, President, Philadelphia to Governor of Maryland]

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Sir You will receive herewith enclos'd two Acts of Congress of the 12<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> instant for reforming the eleven companies of artificers raised by the Quartermaster General, making provision for and granting certain benefits to that Corps in particular that they be considered as part of the Quotas of the Eighty Battalions apportioned on the several States to which they respectively belong. Also another Act of the 16<sup>th</sup> instant requesting the aid of the several States for obtaining wittnesses & depositions in the trial of cases before courts martial.

I have the honour to be with great Respect Your Ex<sup>ys</sup> hum<sup>ble</sup> Servant

[Sam'l Sadler Art'y Park, Chester to His Excellency The Governor of Md]

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Sir I am sorry to Inform you of the death of Cap: Gale who departed this life in about four weeks after his arrival at Camp. He Informed me that he was Indebted to the State of Maryland.