

I cannot but consider the restriction as very injurious, especially when a late resolution of Congress declares the additional battalions to be on the same footing as the troops from the State or States, to which they may respectively belong.

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I flatter myself, that it will be in your power gentlemen to authorize Captain M^cLane to draw the full allowance to the Maryland gentlemen, & I assure you, that no relief can ever come more seasonably

[W. Smith Baltimore to the Honble Daniel Carroll Esqr]

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Sir Having seen an Advertisement by his Ex^{cy} the gov^r & Council respecting vessells wanted, on freight, I take the liberty of informing you, that I have now in port two good Vessells, one a Brig^a mounts Ten guns Six & four pounders, will carry about 80 hh^{ds} or 500 b^{bles} the other a remarkable fine schooner boat one of the best sailers in this Bay, she carries 2 guns Swivels &c^a I will take a freight for either or both those vessells to Hispaniola (which I presume is the best market in the W Indies for provisions) at the rate of 50 Livres p bbl for flour, clear of all dutys & port charges. I informed you in my last, that I had offerd those Vessells to M^r Holker, I have not yet rec^d his answer, but expect to hear from him by return of the post on friday. I have however some reason to expect M^r Holker does not want to freight any vessells immediately. Any return freights the State may want shall be brought on the Customary Terms I presume you will have found some general plan or find on terms to propose. I will therefore thank you for a line by way of information, should the state prefer giving a share of the Cargo in Lieu of freight it will be equally agreeable to me & I dont doubt generally so.

[Philip Key & Uriah Forrest to Gov. Lee]

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Sir The Schooner Union, Our Property, will carry about four hundred and fifty Barrels fflour She is now ready to take in her Load, and will Sail with the first Vessells that goes from Baltimore is a new Vessel & Promises to be a Prime Sailer We expect half the Proceeds in the West indies and will take in, freight free your Goods, Provided they are not of so Bulky a kind, as to more than half fill the schooner, & thereby Prevent our Importing an equal quantity. If your Excellency shou'd Accept this offer Please signify it as soon as Convenient, as the Tobacco with which we mean to Load in case you should not take her is an expence to us until on Board

[John Randall Camp Near Morris Town to His Excellency
Thomas Sim Lee]

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Sir I wrote you a letter the third Ins^t which I hope you receiv'd. I've issued all the Cloathing I brought up. am getting Overalls made