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distracted that they shou'd part with their property for less then their Neighbours, and we are distressed to know what to do for the best. Your Advice will much oblige Gentlemen Your Obed^t Serv^t
John Cox Sam^l Gilpin Elij^a Cole

January 15 [Solomon Stympson to Mountgomery County to Gov. Lee]

May it please your Excellency Sir Agreeable to your Instructions and the Act of Assembly I have purchased 2152 Bushells Corn 29 Bush^{ls} Wheat 58 Bush^{ls} Rye the Corn in Ears at Eight pound p^r Bush^l wheat at fifteen pound and Rye at Eleven pound five shillings there is a Quantity of the corn I bought on Islands in the River Potomack and they will not take Less than the price that is given on the main and it will be very Expensive to Remove the Corn of the Islands, as numbers of people wants to buy and will give a Greater price and take it from the Corn house, so that I am at a Loss what to do if I should Call a third person I believe they would allow the price Equall with what others gett on the main, what Grain I have purchased is in fifty Different hands so of course there must be more printed Certificates; I have only Rec^d Ten sheets, the people wants to Deliver there Corn and Receive there Certificates for they think there price Low and threaten to Measure the Grain at my Risque I cannot gett bages nor do I know of any way that it can be Removed, if it should be sent in Ears it will waste Exceedingly nor can I Engage people to shell the Corn at Less than Eight Dollars p Barrell it is very Difficult to gett Store houses in my Neighbourhood and the few there is at Great Distance which would be Expensive to Transport the Grain to if we had bages, And it would Answer I think I could convey the grain to Frederick town if the weather would permit and there I believe the Country hath Magazens to Receive it, for there is but very few good Teemes in my Neighbourhood, and in Frederick County there is plenty of good Carriages I hope to Receive your Instructions soon that I may know how further to Act I am under promise to the people as the purchase is publick that they shall have Equall price, but I am doubtfull there will be but Little more to purchase in my Neighbourhood

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[Geo P. Keepports Baltimore, to His Excellency Thomas
Sim Lee Esqr]

May It Please your Excellency I am Sorry it is not in my Power as yet to give you an Account of my Departure I have Try'd through Town and Country to get Waggon but it seems in Vain the Commissioners have Impressed Every Waggon that is Able within 20 Miles of the Town; I Cannot find more then Two that will Engage to go and their Terms is £40 p^r day and Every thing found them they Likewise want their Teems Insured if any Accident