

in Philadelphia, this is little more than half the quantity wanted May 6
 I expect to leave this Place To Morrow with a quantity of Soldiers
 Cloathing drawn in Philad^a we still want fifteen hundred shirts and
 five hundred Blankets to compleat the Troops, Including five hun-
 dred and fifty Recruits. I had orders on the Clothier General for
 the whole wanted but it Could not be Comply'd with, it will be need-
 less to trouble you with particulars of the Sale, as I expect to be
 in Annap^s in a few days.

[J. Swan Baltimore to His Excell'y Thomas Sim Lee Esqr] May 6

Since I had the Honor of being with Your Excellency in Council
 I have laid Your proposals before the Owners of the Brig Porgey
 who agree to Keep Her in readiness ten or Twelve days (which I
 informed them would be Sufficient to get an Answer from New
 York) to take on board the Cargoe upon the terms propos'd them,
 the Plank will be a very troublesome article to procure and put on
 board and will without the Assistance of a number of hands take
 up almost the whole of the time allow'd for the loading, even after
 It is collected to one place which induces me to recommend to Your
 Excell^y that it be immediately engaged and collected either to where
 the Vessell will take the other part of her Load on board or the
 mouth of some of the rivers on the Eastern shore that it may be put
 on board as the Vessell provids on her voyage

There is money in my Hands sufficient to procure the Plank and
 have it conveyed to the place You recommend it should be stored at,
 therefore request Your orders in the matter I have the Honor to be
 with much respect and Esteem Your Excellencys most Obedient very
 H^{ble} Servant

[Stephen Steward to the Honl Gouvernor & Council] May 7

Honrobel Gentlemen I hear Inclose you a letter sent to me by
 Express from M^r Defrancy you may Depend the frer Roderique is
 now In the Bay Prehaps up as High as the mouth of Petuxent that
 Ship will sertenly Clear the Bay of Priveteers I would have waited
 on you myself but am very unwell so hope you will Excuse me M^r
 Manbos tels me the fleet is very short of Bread and flower says M^r
 Defrancy told him to tell me to send him Down some If I could
 which I Cant Do without your permission it was a Great mistake In
 M^r Manbos in not Giting a permission for more Bread and flower

[Holker, Philadelphia to Gov. Lee]

Sir I had the honor of writing you several letters respecting the
 Seizure of his majesty's flour in the State of Maryland to which
 your Excellency has not yet condescended to answer: I shall only
 observe on this occasion that I am accountable for my transactions

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