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No. 7 continue your sessions to lodge such powers in your executive or some part of your legislative body, as will enable them at this interesting period on the application of the committee to call forth the resources of your State.

Congress trusts that these requisitions will not appear unnecessary, when compared with the information on which they are grounded. In the importance of which they doubt not that you will find a sufficient apology for the demand, and the warmth with which they intreat you to carry these measures into immediate execution

May 19 [H. Hollingsworth D. Q. M. G1, Head of Elk, to His Excellency, Thos. Sim Lee in Council]

Gentlemen The flour received of Capt Nutter is so much injur'd both in quantity, and quality, that I have thought it most Advisable to store it at this place, until your further orders are received on it, my Principle reason for this is, that as it is going to Philadelphia, or the army on State acco^t Experience has taught me, that (bad as it is) the State would not get Credit for its full worth, as the Casks are very bad. The flour both sour and musty, many of them near one third and some near one half out. this being the case it would be condem'd by the Commissarys spurn'd at by the Soldiers and most like let lay out & wasted & be entirely lost, and as I had taken the Liberty to write to your Excellency and Honors, regarding the Ship Stuff at the Mills, in this Neighbourhood, that it might be Baked to Advantage. I think it my duty now to recomm^d that this flour be mixed with the ship stuff and baked into hard bread, which will be useful for our fleet or Army, it will make the Bread much better or at least be better receiv'd, and be a saving to this State. I have therefore stored it here contiguous to the bake house untill your further orders, if 'tis thought best to send it on, it shall be done Immediately, if to bake it with the ship stuff. I can set the Ovens to work in a few days

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[Sam Huntington, President, Philadelphia, to His Excellency
The Govr (Lee) of Maryland]

Sir I am directed to acquaint you that there being but one Delegate from Maryland attending at Congress that State is not represented.

That Matters of great Importance are now lying before Congress, which require the United Councils, and vigorous Exertions of all the States; and it earnestly requested that Maryland may be represented in Congress as soon as possible.