

May 29

[Jona. Hudson, Balt., to Gov. Lee]

Dear Sir This will be handed to you by M^r Thos Brumfield who will present an order to you drawn by M^r Keyptot in my favour for Twenty seven Thousand four Hundred & Thirty seven Pounds ten shillings, w^{ch} I hope will be convenient for you to pay, as I am much distress for money to pay my Debts, & have defer'd calling on you as long as possible, knowing the situation you have lately been in Respect^s money matters, but I now Can't wait any longer having duns at my door every Hour w^{ch} is very disagreeable. I sh^d also be glad to Receive the Ball^{ce} of the order M^r Blake Bro^t down w^{ch} is £25.000 but If you Can't spare the whole I must be Content with the am^t of the Order by M^r Brumfield w^{ch} I begg you will not disappoint me in. I have made provision in Virg^t for the Ball^c of Blakes Order & as he did not Return me the Bill I suppose he has left it with you, at any rate don't pay any more of that Order to M^r Blake as I shall want the money here, being what Occurs

June 1

[Pat Sim Smith Calvert County to His Excellency
Thomas Sim Lee Esqr]

Sir Agreeable to your request I have applied to a number of the Inhabitants of this County to lend money to the State, I shewed them your Letter together with the extracts of a letter from Congress, and urged them to comply, but have hitherto failed of Success. they say they would willingly lend, could they command the money, but their sold dependance is on the Sale of their Tobacco to raise it, which the present Stagnation of that Business renders Impracticable. They are looking forward to the payment of their Assessments, and I am well convinced three fourths of the Inhabitants have no way of making their payments but by the Sale of Tobacco. a few Individuals I believe have Cash by them for that purpose but will not part with for any other. had I been Impowered to give receipts for any money I might borrow to be deducted out of their Assessments, it would have Induced such as have it by them to lend, but otherwise twould be needless to apply for it. This I mentioned to Col^o Fitzhugh the other day and he promised me to write you on the Subject.

Should it be thought expedient to borrow on these terms and I am directed to Attempt it, will Chearfully undertake it, altho at this time it is very Inconvenient to me

June 2
Brown Book
No. 1
Letter No. 34[George Washington Head Quarters Morris Town to His
Excellency Govr. Lee]

Sir By a letter, from the Honorable the Committee of Congress at Morrystown, which this accompanies, Your Excellency will find, that those Gentlemen and myself, after maturely considering the