

Liber C B in the Tan yard in the City of Annapolis. Inventories of the Particulars will be Lodged at George Mann's Tavern in Annapolis, and at the Merchants Coffee House in Baltimore Town by the first Day of March.

Liber C C [Council to The Delegates from Maryland in Congress.]
 No. 22
 p. 66 Gentlemen—We are informed that the Congress resolved, some Time in November last, that the Officers in the American Army should be furnished with sundry Articles of Cloathing, as a Gratuity for their Services, and that the species were enumerated. That Resolve has not yet been transmitted to us. We request the Favor of you to procure and forward it, and at the same Time, beg Leave to apply through you, to Congress, for Permission to supply the Officers of the Maryland Line, provided we may be allowed to draw from the Continental Treasury of this State, to reimburse the Money that may be expended in the Purchase of them

[Council to Monsr. Holker]

Sir We shall embrace the next Opportunity of answering your Letters of the 28th of Jan^{ry} and 9th of Feb^{ry} and in the mean Time remain with due Consideration &^{ca}

[Council to His Excellency The Chevr De la Luzerne.]

Sir It is with deep Concern we find that the Measures adopted by this State to obtain an immediate Supply to relieve the extreme Distresses of the Continental Army have occasioned such Uneasiness to your Excellency and created even the Semblance of a Doubt of our firm Attachment to the Alliance. We think with you that it is the incumbent Duty of this State to exert themselves in the same Degree for the Preservation of the Fleets of France as the American Army, and can, with Confidence assure you that if your Fleets had
 p. 67 been in the same Distress, Steps equally vigorous and efficacious, would have been used to extricate them. We are exceedingly hurt that you should esteem the Seizure of the Flour allowed to be purchased for our Ally a Violation of our Engagement when the pressing Wants of the Army urged the General Assembly to it and when too, we informed your Exc^y that it would not be used, if those Wants could be otherwise relieved; but that it should be restored to M^r Smith and Permission given for the Exportation of it, as soon as Congress or his Excellency Gen^l Washington assured us that the Distresses of the Army ceased to be alarming. It gives us Pain to repeat the Information we communicated in our last, that our Power is so circumscribed and limited, that we cannot, without committing a manifest Infringement of our Constitution and acting inconsistent with the Trust delegated to us, suspend the Law, until we have Assurances from Congress or General Washington, that the Army is