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26[James Hindman Talbot County to His Excellency  
Thos S. Lee Esqr.]

Sir Having expended all the Money I received when last in Annapolis, must request your Favor to send me by the Bearer Mr Gibson, as much more as will fullfil my Contracts, which you will find by the enclos'd short Abstract of my Purchase of Beef on the Hoof and Wheat &c. to be upwards of £400 new Money, and any further Sum you may think necessary to order me. I have received no Tobacco from the Collector on your order as yet, the want of an Inspection has hitherto prevented people from paying their Tobacco tax, we have one Inspector now qualified in the County, and I presume the Collector will soon be enabled to pay me the Tobacco, which I shall immediately turn into Cash to defray the expences of driving the Cattle to the Head of Elk, and the Freights of the wheat. If agreeable should be much obliged to you for another order on the Collector for the same Quantity of Tobacco, which converted into Continental money would enable me to purchase both Beef and Wheat from many people who are not inclined at present to take the new Money. I have agreed with a Man to collect and drive forward the Cattle I have purchased and hope by the last of next week to have them well on their way to the head of Elk.

The Wheat purchased of Col<sup>l</sup> Hemsley and Mr Paca I have agreed with Col<sup>l</sup> Hemsley's Miller to manufacture at his Mill. He delivering me 112 lbs Nett Flour for every three Bushels of wheat when done will immediately send it to Annapolis. The Wheat purchased of Mr Bordley lies in Kent County, and being very convenient to the Head of the Bay, I have ordered it to the direction of Col<sup>l</sup> Yeates. Wheat has risen here to £25 and unless I have your orders to give the same Price, there will be no probability of my getting any more.

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29[Auditor General's Office Annap<sup>s</sup> to Colo Hollingsworth]

Sir His Excellency the Governor and His Council together with me are told that you have Passed Certificates for Sums of Money on acc<sup>t</sup> of the Transportation of the Maryland Division & other Troops from the Head of Elk to Virginia; and that these Certificates have Passed from the Original Owners, perhaps to the Prejudice of the Present Holders.

And as His Excellency conceives that you have no Authority for Issuing such Bills, he has directed me to require that you immediately collect, all those Certificates and deliver to the holders in Lieu thereof the Receipts from the Officers Specifying the Services perform'd by the Transports respectively, and the Times of their dismission from the Public Service. Should there be any cases where this Step is impracticable you can enclose the receipts above mention'd with duplicates of the Bills you have granted in behalf of the