

October 13 bad order, very Breachey suppos'd to be the very Pick of the State for Roguery, I have endeavoured to get them Pastured to no purpose, no person will take them and be accountable for them, I have pastured them myself untill they have broke into my neighbours and my own Cornfields, and done much Damage, which I am Obliged to pay for on account of the state, and can no longer trust them out of the Stable, even in the day time, as my pastures are all eaten up, and almost all my Hay, I must intreat therefore that I receive some instructions regarding them, so that I may get Rid of them, and would advise the selling them, as few of them will ever be fit for service, and the Forage they have already consumed is very considerable, and in a short time will be worth more than the Horses, have inclosed extract of a letter from the A. Q. Master General to Colo. Forrest regarding the certificates, which I apprehend will be a very sufficient Excuse for my Issuing them, shall bring down the Original with me when I come, which shall be as soon after the Assembly sits as in my power;

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[T. Donellan Baltimore to Gov Lee]

S^r I have your commands of the 12th Inst. To forward all the Flour in my Possession to the Head of Elk w^{ch} shall be diligently attended to, but as you make no distinction, must beg to be Instructed whether or no I must send that which has been or may be Condemned by the Inspector on acco^t of its being sour & musty.

October 14

[V. & P. French & Nephew, Bordeaux, to His Excellency Gover^r Lee]

Sir Though we have not the honor of being Known to your Excellency we take the freedom of addressing to you under the Auspices & at the desire of our old most p^ticular friend & Correspondant M^r Stephen Steward, West-river, relative to a bill of Exch^{ge} N^o 1. drawn by your State on Mess^{rs} Osgood Hanbury, Silvanus Grove, & James Russell, state agents in London for £1500. Pursuant to our friend M^r Steward's directions we got it presented as quick as possible by very perticular friends of our's in London, Mess^{rs} French & Hobson, & wrote ourselves at same time to the above three Gentlemen, who unanimously refused accepting & accordingly we now inclose you the protest, their answer to our letters we have in course forwarded to his Excellency Benjamin Franklin Esq^r to whom we also had the honor of Corresponding on the occasion, as well as with W^m Carmichael Esq^r & the other trustees, in short y^r Excellency may depend th^t we spared no pains in our power in order to procure payment for said bill as we Sho'd most certainly have had great pleasure in giving you the utmost Satisfaction in the management of this business, & Convincing y^r Excellency the great attention we shall pay in Executing any orders confided to our care by