

[Richd Dallam Harford County to His Excellency
Thomas Sim Lee Esqr]

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Sir Not having been Honord with any Letter from Your Excellency for a long time Past I am exceedingly at a loss how to conduct myself.

I am entirely without money and am unable to do any thing for want. what wheat I have cannot get manufactured for want of Casks for 100 I have got I have been obliged to exchange wheat, for some of the Millers Who I am in debt to will not let me have flour untill I am able to pay them. I must therefore entreat Your Excellency to consider me & if Possible to send me some relief I am much distress'd being daily duned for above 8 months past & the money having so much depreciated that my Creditors are out of Patience

Our Sheriff must have money in His hands & if none can be spared me from Annapolis Perhaps by an order on him I may obtain some little

As the Tobacco for the Sept Tax must be paid in & as Your Excellency pointd out the sale of It as a certain fund I make some contracts on a certainty of being supply'd with Cash from thence I therefore hope Your Excellency will enable me to comply with those Contracts. Its out of my Power to say how much I am distressed for the want of money or to know what I am a looser by not being supplyd with Cash or what I am still to suffer As I have every thing to Procurd for my Own Family & am without money or Credit If there's any thing In your Excellencys Power I still hope I shall not be forgot.

[Geo. Plater & John Hanson Dels in Congress, Philadelphia to the
Governor and Council of Maryland]

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Gentlemen Your Letter of the 22^d last relative to the Cattle at the Head of Elk did not come to our Hands 'till the 2^d inst. & yesterday we laid it before the Congress they have referred it to the Board of War with Directions to take immediate Orders.

[Jas. Calhoun, Baltimore, to Gov Lee]

December 1

Sir I did not receive Your Excellencies Letter of the 24th Ult^o until yesterday owing to my own neglect in not calling at the Post office before.

It has not been in my power to sell more than about thirty Hogsh^s of Tobacco since M^r Chase left this and the money has been apply'd in the purchase of flour and Ship Stuff except what it has taken to pay the Butcher for the Beef Issued at this Post which is pretty considerable since the Militia have been called upon duty, and I know not what will be done for that article even at this Post a few