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[Council to Henry Hollingsworth, Esqr.]

Col Blaine informs us that he has orders from the Board of War to remove the public Provisions from the Eastern Shore of this State to the Delaware to be forwarded from thence to Trenton, and recommends the landing at Dover as the most proper Places of Delivery and Deposite, you will therefore have all the public Provisions on the Eastern Shore transported to the Landings on the Delaware preferring those above Dover; Col. Blaine will confer with you on the Mode of carrying this Business into Execution and we hope in Conjunction with him you may make proper Arrangements, he will inform you of the Names of the Persons he has or may appoint to receive the Provisions on Delaware. If the Money furnished should not be adequate to the Expence of complying with this Requisition and you cannot procure Waggons Teams &<sup>ca</sup> for the Purpose, we hereby require and authorise you to impress what Number may be sufficient.

Ibid.

[Council to Mr. John Bullen.]

Gen<sup>l</sup> Smallwood thinks it necessary that the Fort on Horn Point should be immediately evacuated and the Cannon and Stores removed to this Place, which can only be done by Land for want of a proper Vessel. The Gen<sup>l</sup> has promised to have all the useless Cannon &<sup>ca</sup> put on Board M<sup>r</sup> Rutlands Sloop, and sent to the Indian Landing, provided he can be furnished with the Necessaries for putting them on Board. We hereby empower and direct you to impress for these services such Number of Horses with Geers Tackles &<sup>ca</sup> as may be necessary.

Ibid.

[Council to Special Council.]

We are favored with your Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> by Express, and suppose you have rightfully taken upon you the Powers of Government on the Eastern Shore, but cannot admit the Inference you seem to deduce therefrom, that no Measures ought to be adopted by this which relate to the Eastern Shore, without previously submitting the Propriety of them to you. We presume that the Authority vested in us by the Constitution and Laws pervades and extends to every Part of the State alike, and could not be suspended on the Eastern Shore, by your Assumption of the Powers of Government nor in any Manner impaired; under that Impression we did not think it was necessary that the Policy of deferring the Draft should be proposed to you for Consideration, but it would have implied that your Concurrence [ ] material to give Efficacy to our Resolution. It gives us great Concern to be impelled by a Sense of our Duty to the State, and in regard for the general Welfare to inform you, we disapprove of your countermanding our Order on the Eastern Shore Treasurer and directing him to retain all Monies in his Hands Subject to your