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them with fresh Provisions without receiving Dead Beef and engaging that it should be discounted for Taxes as Beef on the Hoof; We therefore request you will give Directions to the Collector of Ann Arundel County to receive in Discount for Taxes all Certificates issued by John Crisal since the first Day of March last for Dead Beef, the same Manner as if it had been delivered on the Hoof.

Ibid. [Council to Andrew Buchanan, Esqr.]

We have just received certain Information that three Ships one Brigg and two Schooners appeared off Herring Bay early this Morning they now lie at Anchor, the wind and Tide being against them. We suppose it is the same Force that went up to Alexandria. You will direct the Militia to be in readiness and make every other Preparation which you may esteem proper in the present Conjunction.

Ibid. p. 140 [Council to Col. Henry Dickinson.]

We have sent M^r Isaac McHard for the £5000 agreeable to our Order of yesterday drawn on you, which we request you will deliver to him.

Ibid. [Council to Lieutenants of Baltimore and Harford Counties.]

Walter Pigot who was executed by Order of the Marquis among other Things gave Information that a certain Joshua Dorsey a resident of Baltimore Town was on Board the enemies Ships whilst they lay opposite the Harbour, we enclose you a warrant to apprehend him, and Seize all his Papers. If he has removed to any other Part of this State and you can give Information to the Lieutenant or any other Person to secure him you will be so kind to have it done, if apprehended to cause him with his Papers to be sent under a Sufficient Guard to this City for Examination.

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[Council to Brigadier Gen^l. Hamilton.]

We received yours with a Letter enclosed for M^r Hoakesly which will be transmitted as soon as possible, the Passport will be granted immediately on our being furnished with the Information required in ours of the 18th Current, We cannot grant a Passport to proceed to any Part of Virginia; it must be obtained of the Government of that State.

Ibid. [Council to George Murdock, Esqr.]

We have received your Favor of the 20th Instant, and are exceedingly concerned that the Prisoners are Still with you and without Provisions, we expected they had marched some Time ago; we have wrote to Col. Price to furnish you with what Provisions he may have on Hand or may procure.