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[Council to Col. Samuel Smith.]

We have sent draught Horses for four Waggons to M<sup>r</sup> Poe, and request you to forward the Cloathing Tents &<sup>ca</sup> in them to M<sup>r</sup> Muir we shall want at least five hundred suits of soldiers Cloathing in Addition to those already procured, and request you to obtain them as soon as possible, and to enable you, we can supply Tobacco or new Money. forward the Rume

Ibid. [Council to James Calhoun, Esqr.]

M<sup>r</sup> Chrysal informs us that he has received fifty three Barrels of Flour out of which seventeen only are fit for use, the other thirty six be condemned. If this Flour was sent in Consequence of our order of the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant, we request you will immediately forward as much sound Flour as will compleat that order including the Seventeen Barrels received. We have frequent Occasion to give Directions to supply the several Posts within this State with Provisions which we wish to prevent in Future, and request you to enquire into the State of the Magazine of Provisions at all Posts where there are Issues and keep them regularly and constantly supplied.

Ibid. [Council to President of the Special Council.]

We have the Honor to enclose Copies of Letters this Day received. The pressing Demands for Horses induces us to solicit your Board to give every Aid to the Collectors on the Eastern Shore to procure them, we are informed that in many Counties few are collected, and unless every County furnishes the Number lately appertained by this Board, the Service must be materially injured. We beg Leave also to request you to assist and direct the Lieutenants of the several Counties to forward immediately the Recruits Draughts &<sup>ca</sup> raised under the late Laws.

Ibid. [Council to Andrew Buchanan, Esqr.]

By Letters from the Marquis de la Fayette and from M<sup>r</sup> McHenry his Aid de Camp dated at new Castle the 6<sup>th</sup> Current we are informed that the British Troops are landing at York or Gloster and fortifying on the Gloster Side, and York is to be a place of Arms. Lord Cornwallis is in York River he has with him the whole Detachment except the Garrison of Portsmouth. It is supposed that a principal Port of this Fleet was originally intended for New York, but in Consequence of the Arrival of a Vessel with Letters from Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton it was suspended and the present Measures adopted. There is reason to believe that a french fleet will speedily be on our Coast. The Marquis request immediate Assistance from the Troops in this State to enable him to oppose the Enemy in their present Position From various