

September 6 him if it should become necessary, with a sufficient Number of Light
 Liber No. 78 Horse or Militia to carry the Orders he has received from this Board,
 p. 276 into Execution.

Ibid.

[Council to Capt. George P. Keepports.]

We have appointed you Commissary for Baltimore County in the Room of M^r Benjamin Griffith, whom we have displaced, and do request you to collect Cattle in your County by Seizure, if the Owners will not freely and readily part with them for the last Emission, at the Price per Pound, limited by an Act of the last Session, The Necessity of procuring immediately about four hundred Head, is great and very urgent, and will, we hope, induce you to accept the Appointment and exert yourself to the utmost. You must be sensible that a Failure in furnishing the Post at Baltimore with Provision for the Troops that will pass through in a Few Days, must be attended with disagreeable and distressing Consequences to the Inhabitants, for the Army cannot and will not suffer, and Parties of Men will be ordered out to obtain the necessary Supplies. If you cannot accomplish this Business speedily without Assistance, we desire you to employ as many Persons as will enable you to execute this Order with Facility and Dispatch. Gen^l Buchanan has our Direction to furnish you with as many Light Horse and Militia as will be necessary to obviate any Difficulties you might otherwise encounter, from the unwillingness of the People to receive the State Money as Specie, their aversion to a Seizure, and Perverseness in throwing Obstacles in the way to impede the Measures of Government calculated to assist and render effectual the operations of the Army.

Ibid.
 p. 277

[Council to James Calhoun, Esqr.]

We have received yours of the 5th and have wrote to M^r Griffith informing him of our Resolution to displace him, if he does not execute all the Duties of his Office, the principal of which, at this important Juncture, is the Collection of Cattle for the Army. You will therefore converse with him on this Subject and if he will not immediately proceed to procure the Cattle, deliver the enclosed, after perusing and sealing it, to M^r Keepports. If you cannot obtain, for the new Money what Forage is necessary for your Post, you must Seize it and appoint a Person to assist you, and, if necessary call on the Lieutenant of the County for further Aid. We have supplied M^r Richardson with 450£ new Emission, to enable him to lay in the necessary Forage at George Town.

Ibid. [Council to Luther Martin, Esqr. Atty Gen'l and the Sheriff of Balto. County.]

John Chalmers of this City has applied to the Board to stay the Proceedings on Executions issued from the General Court on a