I shall always be happy in receiving & obeying any Directions September 5 your Excellency & the honourable Board may please to honour me No. 26 with

No. 28 September 5

## [Isaac Perkins Kent County to Gov Lee]

Sir I have received your Circular Letter of August last; before the receipt of which I had Applied to every person in this County I thought likely to lend Specie Continental Money or Tobacco without effect for all Money as well as Tobacco is Very scarce in this County and those few that would lend Continental money is detered from it by the Apprehention of a further Depreciation. I have called on Mr Lethrburry for his Subscription money when he said that some Gentleman whoe owed him Double the sum subscribed had promised, to pay the Whole into the Treasurer on his Account which he expected was done. if the people could be Allowed the priviledge of paying thier two next Assessments in wheat at Current price (which at present is 25£ pr bushel, believe a number of persons in this County would doe it Imediately.

## [Horatio Gates Hillsborough to His Excellency Thomas Sim Lee Esqr]

Sir By a Resolve of Congress, which your Excellency must have Letter No. 26 seen, I am authorized to call upon your State for Supplies, for the Southern Army. The State of Things here, having made it necessary, I have drawn on you, in favor of Colo Thomas Polk, dated the 14th Ultimo for One Hundred Thousand Pounds Lawful Money of Virginia, and the Paymaster General Joseph Clay Esqr by my Direction hath also drawn two other Bills, Pavable to Peter Mallett Esqr for Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, all of which I hope will be paid. These Sums are to pay for Provisions already furnished the Army, and without these Gentlemen are enabled to comply with their Contracts, the Business of Supply will go on but heavily. I have in giving of, and ordering Draughts to be given, divided my Demands in due Proportion between your State, and the States of Virginia and North Carolina. Our prospects for renewing the operations against the Enemy, brighten, and I have no Doubt, being aided by the patriotic Exertions of the Southern States: we shall yet recover the State of South Carolina, in a Short Time. You will receive under cover from the Governor of Virginia my Letter of this Date to Congress, with the Inclosures, under a flying Seal, which you will be pleased to read seal up, and forward on to Congress, as soon as possible. as soon as it can be done with accuracy a Return of the brave Maryland troops, remaining after the Action of the 16th Ulto. shall be forwarded.

September 5 Brown Book No. 8