

Cap^t John Stoners Company. I flatter myself if your Excellency knows of no objection the Commissions will be forwarded by Cap^t Boyer the bearer hereof that I may be enabled to muster the whole Battalion on our next field Day.

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[G. B. Causin, Causin Manor to His Excellency
Thos. Sim Lee Esqr.]

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Sir About 6 or 8 Days since, I had the honor of receiving y^{rs} & the hon^{ble} Councils L^{re} dated Aug^t last. In answer thereto I am to inform you that I think there is very little Dependence to be put in any further Assistance in the Loan Way from this County; at least from the Inhabitants in my District There being but few who I think are able to do more than pay their Taxes according to due Course of Law; & those few who are able, to all Appearance the least willing. I have made enquiry concerning the Subscriptions of our County Assembly men & find M^r Stone has p^d his to M^r Jenifer, M^r Dent is to do the same. M^r Hanson promises to pay his to M^r Turner, & M^r Digges I imagine has paid his to M^r Hemmersley. As to money, there is very little in circulation with us at present, having had but a trifling Market for Tob^o this Summer.

If there was any Chance of Success, your Excell^y may be assured I would persevere in the Business with Pleasure; but knowing from Experience there is not I am for that Reason & that only, at present inactive in it.

[Jno. C. Harrison, Cambridge to The Hon^{ble} Thos. Sim Lee Esqr]

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Sir I have to lament with your Hon^{ble} Board the extreme Poverty of the Treasury as also the low Credit of the State in this County (having fully put it to the Test by applying to the first Gent. with us for their Wheat who have refused unless prompt Payment can be made) the last is owing to the failure of payment by the Continental Purchasers. I have pledged my Honor & advanced my Cash so largely on Account of M^r Wederstrandt last Winter which at present I have little prospect of having returned in any reasonable Time that I cannot think of giving my word to the People for payment of any Cattle unless I was conscious of being able to keep it which from the general Tenor of your Letters I am of opinion I cannot.

From 100 to 200 Head of Cattle may be procured in this County; had I been furnished with Cash I could have made a considerable purchase by this time, every days delay adds to their Price as many are purchasing, I shall have some difficulty to get many to take the new Money.

Pork is now currently selling at £450 p B^{ble} I know of about 40 Bb^{les} which I believe may be had for that Price. I have laid out