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[Geo. P. Keepports, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.]

May It Please Your Excellency

I Received your Letter of the 19th Inst: with an Order on General Buchanan for £10.000 and the Order for Delivering Arms Ammunition &c to General Gists Orders I have Received But £476..5. from Gen^l Buchanan Since the Receipt of the order £60 of which is Convention Money (and he says he Cannot Tell when he Can Give me any More as he paid M^r Jas. Calhoun the Whole of the Money he had Collected) which sum is so Triffling that it is scarce worth Naming In Comparison to the sum Wanting to Relieve my Distress which is so Pressing for Money that I Cannot Avoid Supplicating Your Excellency for a Speedy Relief.

As your Excellency did not Give me any Answer Respecting Lead to have more Musquet Cartridges made up and the Whole of the Ammunition for small Arms Ready made Here is But a small store If this State shou'd be Invaded, I have with the advice of Gen^l Buchanan purchased 140^{lb} W^t of Lead from M^r Stephen Steward at 30 Dollars p^r lb

Since my Last Letter Richard Dallam Esq^r Lieut of Hartford County has sent Expresses to me for Ammunition for the Use of the Hartford County Militia which Orders I have Complied with & Hope your Excellency will approve Thereof and send me Instruction how I am to Act in a Circumstance of this Sort as my Express orders have Hitherto been to Deliver Ammunition to Gen^l Buchanan or his Order Only

I have Purchased 105 Pair of Shoes more Since my Last at a Fort-nights Credit at 140 Dollars p^r Pair

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[T. Donnellan, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.]

Your Excellencys Commands of the 22^d & 24th Instant have been duly attended to and Flour sent down accordingly

I once more take the Liberty of requesting to be furnished with Money to discharge the Debts Contracted by me for acco^t of the State & also to answer my own Necessitys w^{ch} are realy very great.

Our County Collector abounds in Cash at present as the Tax comes in very fast. I therefore Pray that your Excellency will send me an order on him for such sum as you think convenient

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[Jas. Williams, Annapolis, to the Governor and Council.]

I have three Gallies; which I will sell for £500 specie Viz. the Annapolis Baltimore & Conqueror or will sell either one or two of them for £200 specie a p^s the Annapolis Gallie has cost me upwards of £250 Specie for Carpenters work done to her; besides the first Cost.