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what account shall I give to his Majesty's Ministers of those Measures shall I say in my Letters whilst the American Subjects find in France every sort of protection & Every mark of friendship, whilst the King's fleets and armies fly to the support of their Country and whilst every French officer and Soldier ardently desires to Cement the liberty of America with the Blood of her Enemies mixed with his own, the Subjects of France are dragged into Jails for not paying a tax which they owe not, or for refusing to serve in the militia of the Country to which they do not belong. Not to say any thing of what his Majesty might think & say on this occasion, what would not the whole world & the Enemies of both Nations in particular, to which it is so necessary to prove that nothing can produce any Coolness on either side? to reflect on it, Sir, Even gives me the highest pain and I beg & hope you will take the proper Steps to prevent any thing of that sort should happen

P. S. In the Letter I had the honour to write to your Excellency the 19th of November, I pointed out a method to distinguish those that ought enjoy the privilege of the French flag from those that ought not. I beg Leave to renew the same proposal

March 31 [Richard Dorsey Balt. Town To Governor Lee] (By Lt. Rucketts)

When I was at Annapolis in February last I Procured an order from your Excellency and the Council for a suit of Cloaths for Lieu^t Rucketts of the Artillery, M^r Muse not having the Cloathing I kept the order for sometime but Coming from Annapolis yesterday unfortunately Lost it with some other Papers, M^r Rucketts therefore waits on your Excellency for a Duplicate.

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[Stephen Steward, West River, To the Honorable Governor
& Council]
Honorabell Gentelman

If you are now Inclinel to Build a Gally or two I am now Redy to undertake to Build them for you to Carry guns of any size I think we Can Build with Dispatch M^r Rich^d Harrison the Barrer of this will Inform you how wee are Provided as to metearls I will wait on you on this occasion If you Desire it amedatly after M^r Harrison returns

April 1 [David Poe, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.] (p favor Cap^t Forman)

I Received your Excellencies favour of the 30th last month by Cap^t Forman, and in Consequence thereof has Impressed nearly the number of good Waggon and Teams which shall be sent on Immediately to Indian Landing, I have not been able to procure near the number of Horses Wanting, but expects in the Course of this Day to Impress them—the want of Proper Boats at this place will make