

April 5 Honours be of opinion with me that such a measure is necessary. I could wish to be empowered to enlist a matross company to consist of thirty six men for the use of the county. We have in this & Worc. county a number of men who are dismissed from the Army which I apprehend would enter into that Service if properly encouraged, and if your Hon^{rs} approve of it I will procure such intrenching tools as may be necessary at the public Expence. Should you not approve of my Enlisting the men, the intrenching business might be performed by the Militia on duty. I have not sent any of the Militia of this county to guard the ammuniton. If it is convenient for you to furnish me with it I apprehend that you will direct the Lieu^t of Talbot to furnish such a guard as may be necessary for that purpose.

April 5 [Zacha Forrest, St. Marys County, to Gov. Lee.]

There was a negro man condemned at our last Court to be Hanged and have understood, that the proceedings of the Court have been transmitted to you my peculiar situation having no Goal in Our county, and being obliged to keep the Criminal at my Own house induces me to hope you'l either send down a warrant for the Execution or a Reprieve, as I have no way of Securing him properly at my house, the fellow is very Likely and not more than nineteen years of age.

April 5 [Ridley & Pringle, Baltimore to His Excellency Tho^s Sim Lee, Esq.]

At the sale of Confiscated property yesterday we bought a Lot near this Town for One thousand and twenty pounds. One fifth of which by Law being to be paid in specie we have to beg the favor of your Honb^{le} Board to give us an order on the Treasurer to credit the Commissioners Two hundred and four pounds specie (the 1/5th) The Certificate for the sum due us in Specie we have inclosed to the Hon^{ble} J. T. Chase that the above sum may be endorsed as paid on Account.

April 6 [Don'l Yeates, D. Q., Annapolis, to The Hon. The Executive Council for the State of Maryland]

Wishing to State to your Hon^r Board difficulties I labour under in the department of Business in which I stand, in hopes the same may be considered and some mode of relief Pointed out and Aid given me.

When I entered the business of the department the Q^r Master General handed me an Estimate of supplies to be made by this state, in which estimate, is a Considerable Quantity of Indian Corn and Hay, this Article of forage I have been informed the Legislator has not made any provision for, be assured every endeavour in my power has been tryed to procure a sufficient Quantity to support the business what I have been able to procure together with the assistance you