

April 10 [John Smith Brookes to The Hon^{ble} The Governor & Council.]
(p. Mr. Basil Ray)

I had ordered my matters so as to sett off with my Cattle as yesterday for Frederick Town, agreeable to your former orders, but meeting with M^r West he desired I would alter my rout and have them drove immediately to Annapolis, that it was the determination of the Council; in Consequence thereof I now send them forward under the care of M^r Ray 27 in Number the greater part of which are very fine and upon the whole a parcel of very good cattle;

My demands for money is very pressing. I am under the disagreeable necessity of borrowing small sums to defray necessary Expences. If you cannot supply me with money—pray give me an order on the Collector for £500 state, it is to pay for provisions purchased before the present Law. for which I have obliged myself to pay Cash.

I have two other steers which fell lame in driving

April 10 [J. Donnellan, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.] (p favor Mr. Calhoun)

With much Reluctance I again trouble your Excellency, requesting a Supply of Cash am compell'd to be urgent by the daily demands of the several persons to whom I am Indebted for acco^t of the State and am apprehensive that they think I trifle with them.

My own wants are realy so great that I have been obliged for several weeks passt to borrow Marketing, Money, as all resources to earn some have fail'd me of late

Family necessarys are geting so Dear that presently my Money will go but a short way in comparison to what it wou'd have done some weeks ago. I therefore Intreat that some measure may be fallen upon to relieve me. About Sixty Thousand Pounds wou'd be sufficient

M^r Calhoun will be so kind as to Act any part for me that may be necessary in the matter.

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[John Hanson, Daniel Carroll, Philadelphia, to Gov. Lee.]

There are in this city about 4000 Rampart pieces belonging to the public—they weigh from 16 to 20^{lbs} each it is thought the lightest might be useful in the hands of the Militia, and the others on board of Vessels. If you think it proper we shou'd apply for any of them, on account of the state, it is probable a thousand or 1500 might be obtained, with some old cartouch boxes, belonging to them. There are likewise some Brass Field pieces mounted, three or four of which might possible be obtained on y^r request

Cap^t Forrest left directions with M^r Gaddiss & M^r Wilkinson about the paper, & a memorandum about types for the small money