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[Dan'l of St. Thos. Jenifer, Dan'l Carroll, R. Potts, Phil^a, to
Gov. Lee.]

We received your Excellencys Letter which you did us the honor to write the 22^d Ins^t

We are truely sensible of your Excellencys & the Councils inclination to support us in this place, we have only to regret that the means in your power have not hitherto been adequate to the purpose; but if the Tobacco which you put under M^r Keys direction arrives safe, we shall be relieved from every difficulty w^{ch} we have for some time laboured under.

We have not seen M^r Mollohon, but have not the least doubt his honoring M^r Keys Order.

By Letters from the Marquis Fayette the 18th at Allens Creek 22 miles from Richmond (where Lord Cornwallis was their encamped) we are informed that the Marquis having been joined by Wayne, some Rifle men & Militia, and being informed that Cornwallis was marching towards Baron Steuben, He the Marquis by a forced March got between his Lordship & the Baron which obliged the former to change his rout and March to Richmond.

We are sorry that the 300 stand of Arms which were to be sent off last tuesday by the board of War to Maryland, only goes this day, we are promised that the others to the amount of 1500 including the 200 sent & the 300 shall soon follow, the pressing demands from Virg^a has prevented our coming in for our share sooner. You may depend that we shall give every attention in our power to this object 'till it is fully obtained. Congress have not received any late information either from Europe or the West Indies

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[David Stewart, Baltimore to Coll Uriah Forrest] (favoured by
Mr. Sterrett)

I find by a letter from M^r Campbell to M^r William Taylor, (now absent with the Troop Gone to the southward) that Col Ford has seized some Goods in the hands of M^r Campbell the property of M^r George Salmon M^r William Taylor and myself, which we sent down for the purpose of bartering for Tobacco, which we wanted at that place, and think it hard to be disapointed—particularly as on Enquiry, I find the act of Assembly directing a Seizure, was only in Case a Sufficient Quantity Could not be purchased to dispatch the Troops now at Annapolis, and Col Smith informs me he has bought Every thing requisite for the purpose here, as this is the Case hope our Goods will be restored at once, that Our Intentions with respect to the disposal of them, may be Carryed into Execution you will much oblige me by applying to the Governor & Council for an Order to Col^o Ford, to restore what he may have Seized to M^r Campbell, wou'd not ask this did the Service of the publick require them, but