July 10 and that he was going up for another—Hayward told him he had every necessary Paper to carry on a Trade with the Enemy—he appeared to be very busy and offered his services to every Person that went from us into Portsmouth. Hayward procured a Protection for him—seems to have Influence with the commanding officer about the middle of May last he applied to Warwick Mr Sam¹ Wilson's Overseer to know if he had any Corn to sell—he said he had 150 Bushels and that Mr Wilson had about 1000 Bushs—he then went to Mr Wilson and asked him if he had any Corn to sell he said he had & would take 2/6 hard money a Bushel for it—he plainly intimated to Mr Wilson his Design was to carry it to the Enemy by saying he intended to carry it below. Mr Wilson replied smilingly he did not inquire where it was going to—he then said Mr Wilson knew he could not take it off in the Day Time, Mr Wilson said he would thresh it out and load his Vessel in the Night—he said he could not pay him til he returned. Mr Wilson answered he wanted hard money very much and wanted it all paid down—he told him he could pay Part but not more than half if that. Mr Wilson told him to come to his House next morning—but he declined carrying the Corn.

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[Go. Washington, Head Quarters near Dobb's ferry, to His Excellency Governor Lee]

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's favor of the 29th June.

It is with very great Satisfaction I observe the proceedings of the General Assembly of your state which you have been pleased to communicate to me The exertions of that Legislature have heretofore been laudable and I am exceedingly glad to see the same spirit still prevailing. For my own part I have not a doubt but that if the states were to exert themselves with that spirit and vigor which might reasonably be expected at this favorable period they might not only drive from the Continent the remains of the british force now among us but obtain to themselves their Independance with the enjoyment of Peace Liberty and happiness to their numerous Inhabitants an event which you will be assured I most ardently wish.

I have the honor to be with perfect respect & Esteem Y' Excellency's Most obedient Servant

July 11

[Wm. Allein, Calvert County, to Gov. Lee.]

Red Book I am informed a Man by the name of Anderson is taken up at Letter i Annapolis supposed to be a Spy, and from the accounts its the same person who pass'd through this County about 12 days agoe and from his behaviour & Conversation to a Thomas Heathman and Alexander Ogg both of this County together with telling a different Story to Col Wilkinson & Doctr Johnson, there's great reason to believe him