

August 11 the Draughts Substitutes & recruits &c to meat at Snow hill on Tuesday next, and as many as I Can git mony to pay I shall Indeavour to send forward, but I am afraid that the want of mony will prevent their Marching so soon as you wish, for the Sheriff ashures me, that he cannot colect the 4/ Tax, he has Executed many of the first People, and Cannot sell the goods he has Seazed for any thing, Under these Circumstances, I submit it to your Excellency wheather mony of the Last Emmiton had not better be sent down for the purpose of forwarding these men, it Can be replaced as soon as the 4/ is Collected

I shall carefully examine all those that have excuses, and if they Come within the Law & your Directions I shall Discharge them, as soon as they are Convened and the number of the Effected ascertained I shall make a return in the Intrem I hope to Receive your Instructions whare they are to march, to Cross the Bay, I sopose their will be one hundred & fifty that will march from this County & Somerset, if those men are to pass at Kent Island the Expence will be Very heavy for fearige &c Besides the Distance to March, I should be Glad sum proper officer could Receive them heare with proper powers to Draw provisions, Imploy Baggage wagons &c as that number of men, Cannot Be marched so far without such Conveniency, or a sufficient sum of money to Bare their Expences, we have got all our prisoners again but Slocum & Cox, they I Believe have Joined the Enemy, as soon as the Judges of the Special Court Sits I shall send them forward to their orders

N B As soon as I can see the managers of the Barge I will Communicate your Letter to them I am Shure she will answer, as I Believe she is one of the finest Barges in the Bay.

August 11 [H. Hollingsworth, Head of Elk, to His Excellency, Thomas Sim  
Red Book Lee, Esqr, in Council.] (favd p Mr. Concoa)  
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And Please your Excell<sup>r</sup> & Honours Inclosed is a return of Provisions rec<sup>d</sup> in the months of June and July, the quantity received in June being very small and my being extreamly throng prevented my making a return of it untill now. As I have had this flour to freight up Inspect to waggon to the Mills and get the most of it bolted over again and in many Instances to get new Casks to Cooper nail &c<sup>a</sup> to waggon the bolted flour to Christeen, on account of your order to M<sup>r</sup> Sam Smith, and am sorry to inform you that after all this expence and trouble I have not got one Barrel (that is bolted over again to pass the Philad<sup>a</sup> Inspection) and of course M<sup>r</sup> Smith has had very little assistance from me, though I have done every thing in my power to serve him, the Flour I wrote you in my last was bad, am sorry it is since so fully verified, I had a hundred and odd Barrels bolted that came from the Eastern shore, (or at least such parts of it as appeared fittest for its bolting) and sent to Philad<sup>a</sup> as p M<sup>r</sup> Smiths order, the whole was condemned, I thought it best to let