August 12 and Ability to do, and during my Residence in this Place (now near Red Book three Years) I have always behaved as a Peaceable Subject; thus Letter 131 why shou'd I indiscriminately be devested from its Protection.

I beg Pardon for my intruding and hope your Excellency will agreable to your known Characteristick of Justice, and Humanity, draw your Attention to a suffering Individual; and Liberate him, who will always revere your Institutions, with Every sentiment, that you yourself cou'd wish.

August 12 Brown Book No. 3 Letter 20

## [M. Gist, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.]

I have the honor to enclose your Excellency a letter from Mr Carroll as also a copy of a letter from the Marquis, for your information requesting the movements of the Enemy Colonel Wood informs, that the Board of War apprehend the British prisoners at York and Lancaster to be an object of their attention, and that he has established a chain of Express's to this place for the purpose of facilitating such intelligence of their movements as may tend to effect the security of those posts

I find myself under the necessity of repeating my Application to The Honble The Council for their Orders to the Commissary General at this post to provide me with Spirit for my Table this article, by a late regulation constitutes part of a Ration, of which I have been depriv'd for several months, and it gives me pain to think that in other Instances I have either been forgot, or neglected.

August 13

## [John Smith Brookes, Upper Marlbro, to the Council.]

The Bearer Mr Scott has 30 head of Cattle which he is directed to deliver to Mr Crisall agreeable to your orders, the numberless difficulties attending the collection and driving cattle rendered it out of my Power to get them sent forward sooner-indeed had I not have misunderstood your orders of the 26 & 27 ulto they would have been up two days agoe from those letters I conceived the Cattle were not to be sent forward. The Gentlemen from whom I collect cattle think themselves under the law entitled to the money and have requested me to make application I therefore beg you will please to favour me with your answer.

You may depend on my exertions to have the full quantity you desire collected & sent forward. I hope in a few days to move another parcel.

August 13 Red Book No. 18

## [Alex'r McFadon, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee]

Please Your Exelency The Bearer Mrs Parks is wife to John Letter 125 Parks of This town: who was taken up by Colon Samuel Smith two months ago on suspicion as Colon<sup>1</sup> Smith said of Being concerned with the English and having a Commission from them: Mr Parks