

Time past issued from one hundred to one hundred & fifty Rations per Day, to the Militia, Recruits, Guards & Tories, upon the whole I have had great Difficulties to struggle with, for Want of seasonable Supplies of Money, therefore hope you will now furnish me with about 2 or 300£, as well to enable me to pay off the most necessitous, amongst the Coopers & Waggoners, as to comply with the Orders of the Comm^y Gent; and this I hope you will the more readily do when you may be assured that I have not yet received more than about £12. from the County Collector of the £200—ordered by the Act of Assembly. August 20

M^r Dowson the Bearer of this has promised to take Charge of & bring to me any Money you may think proper to send.

[Hezekiah Reeder, Port Tobacco, to the Council.]

August 20

I have yours of the 17th Ins^t am Sorry it has not been in my power to forward any of the Cattle sooner. Edward Kerrick will deliver 22 wherever you will direct, shall have another drove ready to send of in a few days, I shall be in want of a further supply of Cash which hope you will send by Kerrick the Collection of the Cattle will come very high they being dispersed over the County.

[Jos^a Beall Lieu^t P^s G^s C^{ty} to His Excell^y Thomas Simm Lee Esq^r] August 20

The Bearer Jeremiah Turner one of the Drafts for this County has been with me to get Excused from the draft as he does not come fully within the Description of those who I am impowered to Excuse I have refered him to your Excellency & Hon^{rs} I know but very Little of him any more than that of his being a man of property

[Petition of Jeremiah Turner]

August 20

The humble Petition of Jeremiah Turner of Prince G. Co^{ty} to his excel^y Tho. Simm Lee Gov^r in and over the State of Maryl^d and the Honourable the Upper House of Assembly.

Humbly sheweth—As a Draughted Man Your Petitioner begs leave to Represent to y^r Excell^y his Situation and Circumstances now at present depending (to wit) he being a Married Man and having the care and Management for three Orphans, who are Minors, whoes Concern is Pritty considerable, and should he be forced from them and his family; they must unavoidably suffer greatly beyond Comprehention, as there is near twenty Slaves under his direction, the Crop and Stock must Principly be lost in his Absence therefore he begs y^r Excell^y will favourably hear his and the familys Grievance, & redress them, for which favour he will forever be in Duty Bound to Pray &c.

We whoes Names are hereunto subscribed do recommend to y^r Honours the above Petitioner case to bear a Preportion to the Repre-