August 24 I flatter myself I shall stand excused for the delay under the cir-Red Book No. 27 cumstances I have related as I could not leave my family in their Letter 134 distressed Situation on any Account

I am under the necessity of Hiring several persons to assist in Collecting & driving the Cattle up, and am at a loss to know how I shall pay them, having no money on hand, Must request therefore that I may be furnished with some by the first opportunity, as I shall be unable to hire men to carry men for me unless those I have already got are paid

August 25 Brown Book No. 2 Letter 10

## [W. Smallwood to the Governor and Council]

The Bearer Mary Watson being destitute of subsistance with a young child, having lost her Husband by an unfortunate accident from one of the pieces of Artillery going of for want of proper spunging on the Day of the Entertainment given by the Citizens is recommended as an object of compassion to the Governor & Council for an Allowance of Provision &c for her Support

August 25 [Eph. Blaine, C. G. P., Philada to His Excellency Governor Lee]

Inclosed is a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Morris respecting the Supplies of your State, there is an immediate demand for three hundred Barrels of Salt Provisions and four hundred Bbls. of Flour at the Head of Elk for which I have called upon M<sup>r</sup> Hollingsworth and M<sup>r</sup> Calhoon State Agents. Your Excell<sup>y</sup> will please to urge a special Compliance and give farther directions for the purchase of your Specific Supplies the receival of which I will attend to in a very few days.

August 24 [Copy] [Rob<sup>t</sup> Morris, Office of Finance, to Col. E. Blaine Comm<sup>y</sup> Gen<sup>1</sup> of Purchases]

In a conference with His Excelly the Commander in Chief he suggested the propriety of depositing a small Magazine of Provisions at the Head of Elk to answer the Contingent demands which might arrise during the course of the Campaign. The quantity he mention'd is three hundred Darrels of Flour and as many of Salted provisions with twelve Hhds Rum. I am to request that you will cause the Flour & Salted Provisions to be procured & placed in proper Stores at the Head of Elk from the Specific Supplies due by the States of Delaware & Maryland on the requisitions of Congress of the 25th November 1780.

The Rum I will cause to be delivered you in this City on Acc<sup>t</sup> of the Supplies due from the State and you will take care to have it transported thither.