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help'd by bolting it over again shall do it, and any flour that you intend for M^r Smith I take the Liberty of recommending that it be made out of the new wheat (or good old) Manufactured from the Origin for that purpose, I am encouraged To this from the assurances received from the several Commissarys of this shore of great Quantitys, of wheat being ready for collection a copy of one from M^r Blake I send inclosed who I have ordered to collect the wheat nearest the river, to Grainerys and sent it forward to this place, where I will be accountable for the making it into any kind of flour you shall choose to order, at any reasonable time from the date of its arival, provided I am permitted to make sale of as much of the flour as will enable me to defray the expence (which M^r Smith has ordered me to do) and which I am now about to do for expences already created and shall order wheat which lays most convenient to Navigation in Cecil, Kent, and Queen Anns Countys collecting for taxes to be lodged in grainerys on Chester, Sassafras and other places convenient to Navigation to be forwarded to this place, and here Manufactured to compleat your present and future orders (unless ordered other ways) to compleat which I have bespake flour cask, wrote for nails, and am endeavouring to engage Mills with good characters, and never failing streams of water, if cattle are to be pastured or fed here pray inform me, that I may engage pastures and have them kept up, and also bespeak tight casks if any Beef or Pork is to be salted up, as we have suffered much heretofore for want of good Casks. my accounts of wheat from M^r Voorhees are very similar to those from M^r Blake, I'le therefore thank you for further Instructions

P. S. I have requested the Commissarys of Cecil, Kent and Queen Anns, to hasten their Collections of wheat as this is the time to Collect when the people have it

August 25 [John Rudulph, Ma. of Legion, Port Royal to His Excellency Governor Lee] (Hon^d by Capt. Handy)

Cap^t Archer had the honor to hand a requisition on your State from the hon^{ble} Marquis Lafayette for some cavalry. I have to sollicite you'l be pleas'd Sir to aid us all you can in the augumentation of the legion, We have had many manifest instances of your State having the legion interests at heart.

I feel myself indebt'd in behalf of the partisan corps to return my most hearty thanks, We are in the utmost distress for want of men cou'd I be furnished with 90 or 100 of your levies or wou'd you be pleased to furnish money & permission to recruit that number in your commonwealth—I should esteem myself honor'd if you'l please to write of Capt. Archers success & what may be my prospects from your State. I beg the liberty of my most respectful comp^{ts} to your Lady—I have the honor to be Sir with Sentiments of the highest respect