operations that will now demand her supplies and the security of his August 28 Citizens so immediately dependant on them that I expect the most [copy] chearful acquiescence both on the part of the Government & People.

Colo Blaine will have applied to you by my orders for Salted Provisions &ca but that I may be fully and well informed what dependance to place on your deliveries, I must State to you that by the Act of Congress of the 25th Febry 1780 Maryland was called upon to deliver to the use of the United States 1000 Hogshead of Tobacco 40000 Ct of Beef 200 Tons of Hav 20,000 Barrels of flour 56,162 bushels of Corn, and by the Act of the 4th Novr 1780 Maryland is further called upon to deliver to the use of the United States, 4800 Barrels of Beef 55001b Pork 12,000 Ct of Beef 4000 Bushels of Salt 17,007 Gallons of Rum and 20000 Barrels of Flour. What part of these deliveries have been complied with I do not yet know His Excellency the Governor not having yet replied to my Letters on that Subject but being certain there must remain heavy ballances due in every article to the United States I request your immediate information of the quantities you are prepared to deliver of each and the prospect you have of collecting the remainder. The calls for Flour and fresh Beef will be immediate and constant the other articles will also be necessary very soon and I hope you will be every way prepared to answer the pressing demands which will speedily be made upon you

[David Poe, D. O. M., Balto., to Gov. Lee.]

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I am Desired by Colo Yeats to aquaint your Excelency that the Letters herewith sent is by the Particular Request of his Excelency Gen1 Washington to be forwarded by Day and by night with the Greatest Dispatch and Begs that you would Give the necessary Directions to the Riders to the Southward.

[Sam. Smith, Balt., to Gov. Lee.]

August 28 Red Book

On my return from Anapolis I applied myself to the purchase of No. 7 Clothing & had the good fortune to meet with very few refusals, I Have Bot abt sufficient of Cloth & Plush to make 100 suits, Linens cannot be procur'd for New Money Red Cloth for facings there is none, Hats, Shoes, ozn^s will not be sold for New Money, Indeed on a Strict View, I do not find Sufficient Clothing for 500 suits in this place, I can get the Taylors to work for the New Money, but want of scarlet will Stop us. About £150 Specie would purchase sufficient of Scarlet Cloth for the facings. If your Excelley Can permit it, I will Supply the Means & deduct it out of my second payt for Lots on Whetstone point, perhaps a more expeditious Mode may be appointed by your Board. Mr Lemmon has Ask'd Time to consider the Sale of his Breeches for red Money. I do not like Consideration in these Matters. The Sword Maker will not touch our pay. In fine Sir