

M^r Lainey and M^r Clabaugh will be much injured should they not have it in their Power to procure their Teams, as they are unable to supply their Places by Purchase and consequently cannot carry on the Cultivation of their Farms. They further think that the State of Virginia could not legally impress Waggon into their Service that belonged to the State of Maryland.

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They have no Prospect of recovering their Loss, but thro' the Intercession of your Excellency and the Honorable Council and are induced to beleive that your Excellency's Application to the Governor and Council of Virginia would promise a Discharge for their Teams.

Relying upon your Excellency Care and Attention to the Interest of the Inhabitants of this State I am led to flatter myself you will so far interest yourself in Behalf of M^r Lainey and M^r Clabaugh as may appear most consistent to you and most conducive to their Interest and advantage

[H. Hollingsworth, Head of Elk, to His Excellency Thomas Sim Lee, Esqr., In Council.]

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And please your Excell^y and Honours Your favour of the 22^d is now before me, the quantity of Provisions I have in this County is about four hundred Barrels of flour and about two hundred head of Cattle which I have frequently offered to the Quarter Master though have not yet got them delivered, hope I shall in a day or two, I wrote you in my last that my prospect of flour was discouraging for though there is large quantities of wheat collected yet we have no mode of Transporting it to Mills where it can be Manufactured with dispatch, as the Vessels are all taken up in transport Service nor have we enough for that service, as Capt Stephens is here yet impressing Vessels for ordinance Stores, (by direction of his Excell^y Gen^l Washington) so that Col^o Yeates or my self cant get a single Vessel for flour, there is also large quantities of Hospital Stores for the French Army which are in my care, waiting for Transportation, and Gentlemen waiting with them, every thing has been done by Colo. Yeates Capt. Stephens and myself (in our power) to procure Craft but they are not to be had (here) must therefore intreat that some of the Transport Vessels be sent back as soon as possible or I dispare of forwarding the flour in time I have wrote circular Letters to the several County Commissaries to have all the Wheat they possibly can manufactured into good Flour and to send me such as is more convenient to Navigation then to the Mills (if Vessels can be obtained) my future prospect of flour depends much on the wheat I receive; and the Transporting it to the army, on the Vessels that may be sent us, as none shall escape that come within our reach.