

itself, I wish it may suit your Excellency to order it to be sent with the above mentioned wheat, by one of the State boats, or perhaps you may have immediate occasion for those articles, in which case it would be delivered to your order by Colonel Robert Harrison, except one barrel of the flour that he took for the use of State prisoners, and Two barrels of the Pork M<sup>rs</sup> Eliz. Caile thought proper to take for Storage in Lieu of Twenty pounds in Specie she charged in her account, which I refused to pay, as I thought it too high a charge. February 3

Permit me to desire the fav<sup>r</sup> to be informed soon of what your Excellency will be pleased to order therein that if no better can be done, I may direct the 20 barrels of flour, 2 barrels of Ship Stuff, 4 barrels of hogs lard & 2 barrels of Pork remaining at Cambridge of my late purchases on account of the United States, to be sent by a small craft to the head of Elk and there delivered to the Commissary of Issues.

[George Murdock, F. Town to His Excellency Gov<sup>r</sup> Lee]  
(fav<sup>d</sup> p M<sup>r</sup> Wood)

February 4

Nothing material has happen'd since I wrote your Excellency by Express, we continue to receive Beef in small quantitys so that we are now only Four or Five days in arrears and that in meat only.

A person from Carlisle in Pennsylvania was with me to day and offer'd Seventy Bullocks for Sale, but for want of Money cou'd not treat with him, before he left Town he informed me that Flower in Baltimore wou'd answer his purpose and that the market price then might rule as to both. New Emission now begins to go, tho as yet but slowly & only for Articles not in immediate demand.

[James McHenry, Volunteer aide de camp Majr Gen'l. M. de la Fayette Baltimore, to Gov. Lee]

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I had the honor yesterday to transmit your Excellency a State of the necessity there was for an additional quantity of shipping to what had been collected at this place. This instant I am honored with another letter from the Marquiss which makes a second application to your Excellency unavoidable. The vessels procured here do not amount to above 900 tons This as I had the honor to observe is wholly inadequate.

The Marquiss says in his letteer we cannot embark unless a large number comes here, and with all possible speed, we want besides these and armed vessels for our protection, a large number of boats to land the whole detachment at once, and scows for the Artillery. If dispatch boats can be found for carrying intelligence be pleased to send them here. Every thing but the vessels are in perfect readiness

For everything but the scows and a few boats, which can be got into this place permit me to beg in the Marquiss name your Excellen-