

p day and short Forage equivalent, and as the Honorable the executive of this State has authorised you to make the supply on this Interesting occasion I must earnestly request your making the Supply with all possible dispatch, and have not a doubt of meeting every exertion in your power

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[H. Dearborn, Lt Colo, D. Q. M., Head of Elk, to
Colo. Hollingsworth.]

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The Army (which I expect will be at this place within two or three days, at furthest) on its arrival will be in want of provision, Forage and Teams, being informed that those matters are under your direction, as an officer of this State have no doubt but you will take the necessary measures for furnishing those supplies. I think one hundred and fifty Beef Cattle will be necessary to drive on with the Army when it marches from hence, which I expect will be within three or four days; the quantity of Forage Col^o Yeates has requested of you I imagine will be sufficient, short feed is of great importance to us—thirty four horse Teams at least, will be wanted, and if they are not procured by you or Col^o Yeates, we shall be under the disagreeable necessity of making use of the authority of the Army for procuring them, which will perhaps distress many of those Individuals which have contributed their full proportion, towards the Support of the Army, whilst others that have done very little good go free not doubting but that you will make every exertion in your power to furnish the above mentioned articles.

[G^o Washington, Mount Vernon, to His Excellency, Gov. Lee]

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I had the Honor to receive your Excellencys last Favor, a few days before I left my Quarters below Immediately caused the Enquiries you mentioned, to be made—but with very little success. Of the Refugees named, none were to be found in the Returns made to me. The Commiss^{ry} of Prisoners could only collect, that a M^r French had been with the Enemy at Portsmouth, and had left that place to go to Charlestown S^o Carolina.

The Case of M^r Middleton, I mentioned to the Admiral de Grasse, who promised to do what was in his power for his Relief.

I beg your Excellency will do me the Favor to forward the inclosed Letter for Col^o Tilghman by the first opportunity that may present to Rock Hall.

I promise myself the pleasure to see your Excellency at Anapolis or Baltimore, which ever place you may be at, on my Way to Philadelphia, for which place I shall leave this in three or four Days.

Be pleased Sir to believe that I am with very particular Sentiments of Esteem & Regard Your Excellency's Most obedient and most humble Servant