

on Col^o Yeates D. Q. M. for Maryland for supplies of both Wag-
 gons & Horses, but have never been able to obtain any from that
 Quarter. As to Waggon I believe we may do without getting any
 from that State, but horses we must at all events have a supply of
 four Hundred. You will much oblige me by calling on Col^o Yeates
 or the Governour of Maryland, & endeavour to obtain from them
 a supply if Possible.

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 Letter 25
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[Tho. Price, Frederick Town, to Gov. Lee.]

November 23

Yesterday I received by Cap^t Richard Johns of Montgomery
 County a Drove of Cattle; to the Number of one hundred & forty
 one, by him I was informed that part of them had been drove to
 Williamsburgh, but not being wanted there they had been joined
 by a Number of others and ordered here. This driving or redriving
 has made the far greater part so poor as to render them intirely unfit
 for Slaughter at this Time, and it appears to me that they were or-
 dered here, rather to rid that State of the Trouble of maintaining
 them through the Winter; than out of any other View. As they can-
 not be slaughtered this Winter I am at a Loss what to do with them;
 & considering that there was only this alternative either to dispose
 of them among the neighbouring Farmers to be maintained during
 the Winter or to sell them at Public Sale, I have made it my Busi-
 ness to enquire among the Farmers if they would take them, on any
 reasonable Terms, but I met with very small Encouragement, shall
 therefore wait your Excell^y & Council's Directions herein. There is
 another Point wherein I would crave your Excell^{ys} Instructions &
 that is in Regard to the Issuings Liquors, as part of the Rations;
 I have indeed during the summer, on particular Occasions to fa-
 tiguating Parties issued Liquors, but the Guards being new very
 numerous & the service Severe owing to the cold Weather & cutting
 Wood for stockading the Barracks, the men highly call for it; if
 you should think it necessary, a supply of Specie will also be neces-
 sary, as red money will no Way answer to purchase it: you will
 please also to order me some red money to pray for such part of the
 Beef Cattle seized for the use of the Army as still remains unsettled
 also Carriage of Flour &c &c.

[Abm. Skinner, Com. Gen. Pris, Baltimore, to Gov. Lee.]

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 Letter 154

I have the honor to transmit your Excellency two Letters I re-
 ceived at Frederick Town, from which place I intended to proceed
 to Annapolis had not an unexpected piece of business prevented me.

I have returned thus far from the Posts of Fort Frederick, and
 Frederick Town whither I have been by desire of His Excellency
 The Commander in Chief to see the State and Condition of the
 Prisoners sent to those places. Col^o Rawlings Letter will give your