July 12 John Deane twelve Pounds, five shillings & John Green one Pound Liber C. B. No. 24 ten shillings of the same Emission due them per Accounts passed.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Dove, Twenty Pounds of the same Emission for the use of John McDaniel & James McDaniel per Accounts passed.

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[Council to Honble Robert Morris, Esq^r]

We are informed, but not officially, that the Congress have determined to pay and cloath the Army from the Treasury of the United States, for the present and succeeding Years. That no Advances made by particular States, to their Officers and Men, will be admitted in Discharge of the Demand for the 8 Millions of Dollars. That the Debt due to the Army from August 1780 to January 1782, is to be considered as a Continental debt and not to be paid by the respective States, as heretofore. If such Regulations have taken Place, we shall be much obliged to you for them, otherwise we may interfere with very proper Arrangements, without knowing it. We have, for a considerable Time past, been in the Practice of making Advances to our Officers, and it is still continued, which might not be the Case, were we acquainted with the System adopted by Congress, or under their Authority.

Ibid.

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Among other Measures, adopted by our Assembly, at their last Sitting, to raise Money for the United States, they laid a Tax of five Shillings Specie on the hundred Pound, to be collected by the first of August next, but afterwards, upon an Application from General Greene, they directed that twenty Dragoon Horses should be purchased out of the Monies arising from this Tax, or with Certificates to be received in Payment of the same. We do not flatter ourselves that this Tax will be very productive. It is a Truth that our People are possessed of but very little Specie, and even that Little is chiefly confined to Baltimore Town, and the few upper Counties which are so situated as to have Intercourse with Baltimore or Philadelphia. The lower and most considerable Part of the State, has neither Specie nor the Means of getting it, for there is no Demand for any Thing the People make, those in the upper Counties having it abundantly in their Power to furnish every Article required for Exportation by the Merchants of Baltimore, which is the only Town in the State, where foreign Commerce is carried on. We have been thus particular, as well for the Purpose of giving you, what we deem, necessary Information, as to enable you to judge, from a View of all Circumstances, of the Propriety of the following Proposition. The Notes advanced to the Officers of the Maryland Line for two and three Months Pay, have no Credit in the State at present, from