### [W<sup>m</sup> Paca in Council to Honble Intendant]

December 7 Liber No. 78

Before we can decide on the Propriety of your making the pro- p. 397 posed Contract with Colo Rawlings, we must have a Detail of all Circumstances which relate to it; for without, we can neither approve disapprove, or point out Objections. The Circumstances alluded to are the following: The present Price of Wheat and Flour in the Upper Counties, the Probability of a Rise or Fall, the Place where the Flour is to be delivered, who is to pay the Expence of Transportation, and what it will amount to. When this Information is communicated, we will chearfully express our Opinion. If the Intendant is not too much engaged, an Interchange of Sentiments in a personal Interview would be most agreeable to us.

# [W<sup>m</sup> Paca in Council to Honble Intendant]

Ibid.

We conceive no good Consequence can result to the State, from a Delay of Payment of the Orders drawn on the Treasury. It was the Idea of this Board that, where it was intended a Person should be paid, an Order should be given, altho' there might be no Money in the Treasury, and that such Order should be paid by the Intendant in Specifics, if a Price could be agreed on. This Mode of doing the Business, in most Instances, would be beneficial to the Public, as a Creditor would generally, be willing to give the highest market Price for the Articles and Commission would be saved; and unless you p. 398 have some material Objection, we wish it to be pursued, and the People who now have Orders on the Treasury, paid.

# [W Paca in Council to Mr Stephen Steward]

Ibid.

We are favored with yours of this Day, and as it is of Consequence that the Ship be finished by the Time agreed on, we will make the Application you request, to Mr Rutland.

#### Monday 9th December 1782

December o Liber C. B.

Present as on Saturday except G. Duvall & John H. Stone Esqrs. No. 24 Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to James Brice p. 363 Esqr one hundred and eighty pounds, twelve shillings and two pence specie for one years Interest due on sundry Certificates issued agreeable to the Act to adjust the Debts due from this State.—

#### Tuesday 10th December 1782

Present as on Saturday except James Brice Esqr.

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Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Jub Fowler three p. 363 pounds, twelve shillings and six pence and the further Sum of Ten