

necessary for the Former. Permit us once more to remind you, that the Delay of the Payment of Interest, is a Violation of the public Faith and Honor so solemnly pledged by the General Assembly, for which the Officers in the Execution of the Laws, and not the Law-Makers, are justly blameable, and ought to be responsible

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[W Paca in Council to Honble Intendant.]

Ibid.

The first Quarter's Salary of Part of the Civil List, was due the 1<sup>st</sup> Instant, and the first Quarter for the whole will be due tomorrow. We presume it will be sufficient, barely to apprise you of this Demand upon the Public. Your own Discernment will suggest the Necessity of immediately lodging Money in the Treasury for the Purpose of complying with the Promise and Intention of the General Assembly, that the Officers of Government should be punctually paid, quarterly, as their Salaries became due

[W Paca in Council to Tho<sup>s</sup> Harwood, Esq<sup>r</sup> Treas<sup>r</sup> W Shore] Ibid.

The Exigencies of Government require that the first Money you receive should be applied to a particular Purpose; you will be pleased therefore to suspend the Payment of any Orders by this Board, or the Orphan's Courts now on the Treasury, 'til our further Directions, which shall be given in a few Days: in the mean Time, let us know when you receive any Money and to what Amount. You will be pleased to apply no Monies for the Payment of the Journal or Certificates which may have been passed for the same, but such Monies as may be lodged by the Intendant, out of the Funds specifically appropriated for that Purpose.

[W Paca in Council to Honble Intendant.]

Ibid.  
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In March last, Maurice Simmonds Esq<sup>r</sup> of Charles Town, applied to us for Payment of sundry Advances he had made to the Officers, whose Names are in the Auditor's Office, while they were Prisoners. We paid him 54,300<sup>lbs</sup> of Tobacco at 16/. Sterling p C<sup>t</sup> amounting to £434:8:0 Sterling, the Sum he had advanced to those Officers. He also informed us that he had made some other Advances to a small Amount, of which he had not the accurate Accounts; and we supplied him with a farther Quantity of 40,000<sup>lbs</sup> of Tobacco at the same Price, to be applied, in the first Instance, to the Payment of these Advances, and the Balance, which it was then thought would be about 200 Guineas, to be subject to the Order of this Board. Since this Transaction, Major Winder has been with us, and says, after he left Charles Town, he sent in to M<sup>r</sup> Simmonds, the Money advanced to him, a Circumstance which might very well have happened without M<sup>r</sup> Simmonds's Knowledge, as he had a Partner in Charles Town, who transacted his Business, while he came to Maryland and Virginia to settle his Accounts. The Intention of this Letter