

Sir

In Council Annapolis 12th May 1777

50 We send you by Mr Thomas Beatty £500, to pay up the arrears of the future Subsistence of the Professors in Frederick Town and are Sir
The Money drawn out by the Clerk of the Court.
John Hanfan Esq. }

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51 Mr Saint George Peale having been appointed by the General Assembly Register of the Land Office and commissioned and qualified agreeable to the Constitution and Form of Government, and given Bond and Security, as far as Circumstances can be complied with agreeable to the Old Acts of Assembly, is now entitled to the Possession of the Land Office and the Records and Papers belonging to it. We think it proper that two Lists of the Books should be made and signed by yourself and Mr Peale, one to be kept by you and the other by him. We should not have wrote to you on this Occasion, but that we are informed you decline giving up the Office to Mr Callahan, on Mr Peale's Request, on an Apprehension that the Land Office was to be conducted under your Direction as formerly. We think there is no more Propriety in Mr Peale's receiving the Office in Person, against which, we hope, you will make no Objection.
Benedict Calvert Esq. } We are &c

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52 We shall give the Capt. who we may send down for your Ship, Orders to call on you before he goes on Board. As we are circumstanced it would be improper to attempt getting out of the Capes, nor would we have you remove the Ship down, as was first proposed.
Capt. Milt. } We are &c

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53 We are much obliged by yours of this Day. There is no Vessel belonging to the State ready to sail, nor any other, so nearly ready as that at Alexandria, but we shall send an Extract of your Letter to Baltimore for the Government of private Adventurers. The Blankets and Cloth are very desirable, especially the former, the Blanket saw not having fully answered the End proposed by it, wherefore we will send a Cart or Waggon for the Blankets in a Day or two, and, if you'll send us a Sample of the Cloth and the Price, we will take that too if you are not too hard in your Terms.
Messrs Jenifer & Haac. } We are &c

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54 We are obliged to you for the Trouble you took in stating the Officers, we wish the Sergeant Jamis Conduct in so full and circumstantial a Manner, he is not yet come to Town we expect him and shall make proper Inquiry and act accordingly. We are sorry that there should happen any Ground of Complaint, but shall surely, duly attend to any that is well founded. The Public have much to be desired in the New Gallies, they are too backward, partly for Want of Cordage, the Price of every Thing is rising shamefully; we wish you to secure a Quantity of Cordage as far as possible, if it cannot be certainly got under, at £3.15.0 or more at £5.00.0