

In Council Annapolis 29<sup>th</sup> Apr 1779.

You will receive by Mr. John Richardson five thousand Dollars for  
the Purchase of Provisions, it being as much as we can, at present,  
send, and hope you will get your Provisions collected as fast as  
possible and sent forward. We expect in a few Days to have a Galley  
stationed in the Sound for the Protection of our Vessels. When we  
have a Council, shall write you fully on every Subject contained  
in your Letter.

We are &c.

Col. Jos. Dashill }  
Worcester County }

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Sir. Capt. Matthews is sent for the Goods that are lodged with you, by  
184. Col. Jos. Dashill, for the Use of this State and you are requested to give  
him Dispatch. There are other Goods, we presume lodged with  
you, belonging to the Continent: if the Galley can take them in, we  
desire they may also be sent, or so many as the Captain can take  
on Board. If there should be any Provisions purchased by the Agent,  
send them also.

We are &c.

Robertson Stephens Esq. }  
Shir. Dorchester County }

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Sir. We expected, agreeable to our former Orders that you would have  
been down here before this Time. We now desire that you will  
185. immediately proceed down with your Galley, no Excuse will be  
admitted.

We are &c.

Capt. Lawsey.

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Sir. In consequence of what you wrote me some Time ago, I informed  
186. the Council that you had engaged 50 Hhd<sup>s</sup> of Tobacco and we depended  
upon you for that Quantity. The Price of Tobacco has taken a greater  
Rise than was expected, and we shall make you a further Allowance.  
The Council wants 10 Hhd<sup>s</sup> more to compleat a Load for a Vessel  
they are ~~going~~ going to Sea and will be obliged to you to furnish  
the Quantity, so as to make, in the whole 60 Hhd<sup>s</sup>. The Tobacco  
we doubt not, but you will get upon the best Terms, and  
the Money shall be paid to your Order. The Tobacco you will be  
pleased to deliver to Capt. Walker, whose Galley we have ordered