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that very lately, there was Flour on Hand sufficient for 93 Days besides  
besides a considerable Quantity of Wheat, we fear that this Report may be  
true but we have frequently heard that there are considerable Quantities of  
Wheat collected at the Mills in Starford and Cecil for the Use of the Army  
and large Quantities of Flour lying at and constantly transporting from  
the Head of Elk. Pray obtain and transmit us as early as possible, the  
best Information you can on this Subject, that we may be enabled to  
exercise the discretionary Power lodged in our Hands to our own Satis-  
faction and the Public Expectation. The Mills are stopped, but the  
internal Demand and that from Massachusetts will, we fear, still  
raise the Price; the Board of War in Massachusetts, has given us  
Power to purchase Flour &c in this State to the Amount of 60,000  
lawful Money. You have also inclosed a Copy of a Resolution  
concerning the Recruiting Service, occasioned by the Resolution of  
Congress of the 9th Inst. which came to Hand on Tuesday 8 O'Clock at  
Night; it was late in the Session as well as late in the Year for  
Business of this Nature. We have no late Returns of our Troops, nor  
have we, at any Time, had them so exact as is desirable, but we have  
Reason to believe our Quota has not been so deficient as that  
of most of the States. We have never had any Credit for the Men  
inlisted in our State by Pennsylvania or Delaware, for those of  
the Flying Camp stopped and inlisted in Philadelphia, there were more  
than a Regiment of the first and three hundred of the latter at least,  
for those of Count Pulaski's Legion inlisted in this State, of whom  
we never had a Return, they were more than 100. Major See also  
inlisted some Men in our State the latter Part of last Winter &  
in the Spring, we believe upwards of twenty, if none besides Count  
Pulaski's Recruits are discounted, they ought, according to the Precedent  
of Congress of Quers. too what is become of Col. Hearn's  
Regt. a great Part of it was raised in this State. But these Facts  
we apprehend, when other States are eased of a Part of their Quota,  
ought to have influenced the easing this State of a Part of the eight  
Regiments and the Scarcity of Men and the Price of Labour strongly  
claim it in this State, however the Assembly are very desirous to  
strengthen the Army as much as they possibly can and our Annullators  
as well as our Duty concur with them. We inclose you a Resolution  
of the Assembly which we hope will occasion our Part of the Rifle  
and German Battalions to be consolidated in one Regt. amongst the  
Officers of each there are Men of great Merit who have been too  
much neglected.

Delegates in Congress.

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