

We never knew, til by a letter from Genl. Washington, rec<sup>d</sup>. last Sunday  
 that the whole of the German Regiment was placed to Maryland, and  
 Rifle Companies under Col. Rawlings a distinct Corps, presuming the latter  
 was a Part of our Quota; we have drawn the 500 Dollars to the Officers  
 the other Day we advanced him 1000 Dollars for recruiting and, as he was  
 ordered on a detached Service, we drew £1000. to be expended in Sugar, Coffee  
 Spirits &c. for the Officers, as is customary for our Officers & others: they must  
 having yet been benefitted in that Way and the Service they go on, rather  
 than any other, requiring it, we shall charge these Advances to the Continent  
 I pray dispatch Col. Hyde & W. Howard with as much of the Money as can  
 be got, less than 200,000 £ will do nothing —

Delegates from Maryland  
 in Congress } We are &c.

In Council Annapolis 21<sup>st</sup> April 1779

Sir. We yesterday rec<sup>d</sup>. your Letters of the 12<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Inst. We have sent to  
 Philadelphia for Money and now inclose you an Order on the Eastern  
 Shore Treasury for 10,000 £. as much as our Circumstances can bear, til we  
 are supplied by Congress. If you can get good Wheat at £. 5 or 10. or so much  
 in Weight as will be equivalent to that by the Bushel and not in conve-  
 nient to Mills, high as it is, we believe you will do as well as the other  
 Purchasers. The Quantity expected from us is 10,000 Barrels. By the Accounts  
 we have from Kent & Baltimore, about the Value of 3,000 is already  
 secured there. What Wheat you purchase, we wish you to have ground  
 up at your own or any other Mills convenient, and forwarded with  
 all Dispatch to Col. Hollingsworth at the Head of Elk, that it may  
 be sent on; we imagine that the Bran & Shorts only need be taken out  
 and that, unless the Bran & Shorts can be disposed of otherwise to  
 Advantage, they had best be sent to Col. Hollingsworth, to be  
 consumed by the Continental Draft Horses kept there. We expect  
 shortly to see Mr. Robert Buchanan from Baltimore to confer about  
 the Purchase of Flour; there is a good Deal in Baltimore & probably there  
 may be no Occasion to use <sup>the</sup> extraordinary Power which the Assembly  
 will not have exercised but on the most absolute Necessity. —

Wm. Demasley Esq. We are &c.

In Council Annapolis 21<sup>st</sup> April 1779

Sir. We shall be obliged to you to send hither all the Continental Bills  
 your Office, belonging to the Public, of the Emissions of May 1777 & April 1778  
 that they may be put into the Continental Treasury and draw Interest from  
 the Continent as soon as may be; and be pleased also to advise us of  
 the Sum of circulating Money, now, to an Exactness, in the Eastern Shore  
 Treasury, as we may know how to draw occasionally

Henry Dickinson Esq. } We are &c.  
 Treasurer of the Eastern Shore }