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another State to hire or purchase, we think you will not be allowed
for any extraordinary Trouble or Expence incurred thereby —
Adam Bisher Esq^r We are Y^rs

In Council Annapolis 25th July 1700

309. Sir We think it necessary that you should purchase the Rife on the Terms mentioned in yours of Yesterday's Date, but at the same Time must inform you that a short Credit must be ~~given~~ obtained, as it is altogether impossible to pay the Money until the Taxes come in; so soon as that happens, we hope to be enabled to pay all our public Contracts. We hope no good Citizen will refuse to lend these necessary Commodities to the Public at a Time when our Treasury is exhausted and they are so much wanted. The Rife, Bacon &c. procured by you, must be transported to this Place or the Head of Elk, but we wish the Vessel to touch at this Place We are Y^rs

Capt. John Smith Brooker

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310. Sir Col^l Banest has ordered two Officers to repair immediately to Chester Town to take charge of the substitutes and Deserters which may be sent there by the Lieutenants of the several Counties on the Eastern, pursuant to our Request communicated by Circular Letters of this Day. The Expedient of drawing upon the Collector of Queen Anns County gives you assurance but no certainty of Money, as there are still a great Number of Certificates outstanding; yet it proves our Inclination to assist you and the good People of your County in their laudable Endeavours to procure Recruits. Cloaths will be distributed among the Recruits when they are collected to a Point. We are Y^rs

William Hensley Esq^r

In Council Annapolis 25th July 1700

311. Sir We are very happy in hearing you have so pleasing a prospect of raising the Men required of your County for the Regiment ~~in the Army~~ and for completing the Battalions of this State in the Continental Army. Col^l Banest has ordered an Officer immediately to receive the Recruits and substitutes in your care and march them to this Place

Charles G. Griffith Esq^r