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No 319 The Enclosure will show the Point of Rank in which Lieut Edward Duvall and Lieut John Sturman were placed in 1777, by the General Assembly of Maryland. W^o Duvall represents to this Board that he has been injured by subsequent arrangement of the Maryland Line, and at his earnest Request, we have taken the Liberty to transmit the enclosed Copy of the Order General of the Rank of the Officers in the Maryland Line We are
Board of War.

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Sir
320. Yours of the 21st Inst^o we have received: The Cloaths shall be sent to Chester Town for the Recruits as soon as possible, and we wish it was in our Power to send them immediately. W^o Bolton is appointed Commissary of Issues for your Shore; we have given him an Order on the Collector of Kent County for Money, and have requested W^o Moorhew to furnish him with any Provision he may collect, with which, we hope the Recruits may be amply supplied. The Scheme for borrowing Money of the Recruits, is a good one, and if any of them are inclined to lend their Money to the State, the Agents who are appointed to receive Money on Loan in Kent County, would be the proper Persons to apply to. The exhausted state of our Treasury puts it totally out of our Power to send you any Money at this Time
William Bradley Esq^r We are &c

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Sir
321. We were honored with your Letter of the 0th Inst^o enclosing an Act of Congress of the 7th recommending to the State of Maryland to grant Permission to the Agent of the Minister of France, to purchase 3000 Barrels of Flour to be exported to some Part of the Spanish Colonies in the West Indies. We have complied with the Recommendation of Congress & given Permission to W^o William Smith of Baltimore Town, the Agent appointed by W^o Morris, who is entrusted by the Minister, with the Management of this Business, to purchase the Quantity above specified. This Permission interferes with the Mode chalked out by the Legislature to allow Supplies for for the Continental Army, and, we are apprehensive, will procrastinate the Procurement of them, til that Quantity is purchased, and expose us to the Artifices and subtle Contrivances of Envy and other designing Men, whose Attention to the Publick Affairs and immediate