

In Council, 25<sup>th</sup> January, 1781.

121. Sir, The Council Assembly having, directed this Board to remove the heavy Cannon from this Place City to a place of greater Security. We have for that Purpose employed a Sloop, to transport them to the Indian Landing, and cannot procure a sufficient Force to put on Board and as we understand there are a Number of Soldiers more than sufficient for the Guard, we shall be obliged to you to order as many of them as may be necessary to assist in putting them on Board and we will make them a reasonable Compensation.

Colonel Adams.

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122. Sir, Your letter of the 23<sup>d</sup> Instant came to Hand and we have been informed by Colonel Hollingsworth one of the Gentlemen appointed to carry the late Act into Execution, of his having stopped the Quantity of Flour you mention. It is not the Intention of the Law that Flour purchased for the Banks and going to the Army should be seized but the Design of the Law is to prevent Flour being exported out of the State for any Junitor or private Purpose; In thus expressing our Opinion we do not mean to cast any Imputation on the Agents of the Bank. We have given Directions to Colonel Hollingsworth to enquire whether the Flour taken was bought for the Bank and for the use of the Army, and if he should be satisfied that it was to restore it <sup>you</sup> otherwise it will be disposed of in the manner prescribed by the Law.

Mr. William Matthews.

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123. Sir, We received yours by Capt. Lingan and are really sorry, it is not in our Power to supply you with any Money there not being any Forthring of either Continental or State Money in the Treasury, so far as any comes in and an Opportunity offers you may depend upon receiving the Sum you write for.

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