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Sir.

In Council, 26th July, 1781.

As soon as you collect the cattle you will send them
N^o 654 to this place to be delivered to John Chrysal Commissary, and the
residue when procured
Commissary of Calvert.

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Sir The Troops at this Post have been several Times without
Flesh Provisions, we have to reiterate our Orders of the 4th Instant
to forward immediately the cattle; we are at a Loss to conjecture
655 the Reason for such Delay, when you are sensible it is of the
so much Importance to have the Troops supplied with Provisions
If you forward the cattle, agreeably to our Directions of the 9th Inst we
have not been fail to George Town we wish you not to send them
and wait our further Orders.

John Smith Brookes Esq.

In Council, 27th July, 1781.

Sir We are honored with Mr. Daghmaas Letter of the 20th and
with yours of the 25th Encount altho there are large Subscriptions in
many of Counties yet upon Application to the Treasurer of this
State we find the Subscriptions already lodged amount only to
23000 £; as one fifth of the whole to be issued is subject to your
Disposition for the Defence of the Eastern Shore, we have informed
Mr. Dickinson he may issue one Fifteenth of the sum lodged
656 and the same proportion to all Subscriptions and Bonds which
may in Future be deposited, the reason which induced us to
adopt this Mode must occur to your Honor, for should it
happen that the Subscription and Bonds do not come in to the
amounts of 200,000 £, the proportion allotted to each Shore must
be accordingly diminished. we should with Pleasure send you the
Brodnaus Stores you want for but some of them are entirely expended
and others very ^{insufficient} for the daily Demands on us, we shall
however examine our magazines and if we can possibly supply you
without leaving this Shore destitute we shall most readily do it
The Governor is not at present in Town, but you have ^{Shall} the
Commission for the Governor you recommend with the first convenience.
President of the Special Council.