

In Council 17th Sept. 1700

N. 035 Sir We are in Want of a considerable Quantity of Whiskey and Cyder Brandy for the Army. It is to be furnished as soon as possible; We therefore request you to procure, immediately, all the Whiskey and Cyder Brandy in your County. We have sent you, by Col. Blaine £1500, and more shall be furnished when required. If you should meet with any Difficulty in purchasing those Articles you must seize them and give Certificates. You will also impress Waggon and Carts, if they cannot be procured an Hire, to transport the Whiskey and Brandy to George Town. The Letters for the Commissaries of Frederick and Washington, with the Money for each, you will find instantly by safe Expresses. The Whiskey and Brandy to be purchased by the Commissaries of Frederick and Washington is to be deposited at George Town, and will be sent to you, which you will receive and take Care of.

Thomas Richardson Esq.
Commy for Montgomery County.

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036 Sir Your Letter of the 12th Instant we have received, wherein we observe you have in some Instances contracted for Tobacco, which Mode to us appears improper and inadmissible, and hope you will alter those Contracts into Money, and avoid it in future. The large and pressing Demands of the Army for Provisions oblige us to request of you to have all the Cattle collected in your County, draw to George Town with all possible Dispatch, ready to be forwarded with the other Cattle. In Addition to the Number of Cattle assigned to your County, we wish and desire you would purchase and collect immediately three hundred Head, to enable you to do which, we have sent you eight hundred Pounds

In Council 10th Sept. 1700.

037 Sir We have received your Letter of the 16th and to enable you to make the Purchase of Hats and Shoes effectually, enclose you five hundred Pounds, not at all doubting but that you will lay it out to the best Advantage. Mr. Shellman was here lately and agreed for a Parcel of Shoes, he had 50 Pair then ready; please to receive all he has and forward them, let him know the Hides are here. The Papers relative to Andrews and and the two Graves are all received; a Person will be appointed to receive them at Baltimore, but if no such Person appears for that Purpose, direct the Officers to march them here.

Christopher Eden Esq.

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038 Sir You will grant Permission to the Rock Hall Ferry Boat to pass with the Gentlemen from the Eastern Shore, with Directions to return to this Place without Delay

John Bullen Esq.