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Altho' we have great Demands on us for the public Flour, yet in consideration of the consequence the Detention of your Vessel is to you and relying on your fulfilling your Promise to return it in a few Days, we have enclosed you an Order on Mr. Gillard for 30 Barrels, and should have given an Order on the Commissary of a Sum & Strudel for the Quantity you desired on Mr. Subbin's Bill, but all the public Flour is removed from thence.
Mr. Stephen Steward.

Sir

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We are informed that a very great Number of British, German and other who are Prisoners of War, taken at York, are at this Time in Baltimore, passing and repassing in perfect Security. We conceive the Interest of the Continent and this State in particular, injured, in permitting these People to be at large; by securing and confining them, we may relieve, by Exchange, many of our truly deserving and distressed Countrymen from the loathsome Prison Ships and Goals of the Enemy; We must therefore request you to examine particularly into the Subject and give the necessary Orders for their being secured and sent under Guard to Frederick Town to be delivered to Col^l Rawlings.

Andrew Buchanan Esq^r.
Lieut. Baltimore County }

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Yours of the 8th Instant we have received. We cannot give the Price you ask for Salt, as it is considerably more than it is sold for any where. If you will take 150th of Tobacco per Bushel, you will deliver to Mr. Greder the Quantity he may want.
Mr. Thomas St. Ridgate.

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We received a Letter this Day from Mr. George, requesting us to forward to him 20 Bushels of Salt to replace the like Quantity which he was obliged to borrow for the Public; we therefore request you to supply Mr. George with that Quantity as soon as you possibly can; he adds that Salt may be had at Alexandria.
James Calhoun Esq^r.

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We have directed Mr. Calhoun to furnish you with 20 Bushels of Salt and, as he has the Means of procuring it, in his Hands, you may rely on receiving it.
Joshua George Esq^r.

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We have thus long delayed answering your several Favours of the 6th, 16th and 26th July, 5th Sept^r, 22nd and 27th Nov^r. Under an Expectation that we should have soon been in Capacity to give the Information you are so desirous of obtaining, and of replying particularly and satisfactorily to those Particulars appeared to us the most important, but meeting with greater Difficulties than we foresaw in the Enquiry, and finding that we cannot any longer being possessed of the Materials necessary for answering them, we can no longer delay such general Information, and we are now as well to satisfy you that we have not been negligent of your request, as complying with the various other matters upon which you may have