

Congress. We appointed Gentlemen in each County of this State  
to collect all the Gold and Silver they could in their  
Counties, the Amount of which you shall be acquainted  
as soon as we are informed of it by them. We have  
received a Letter from Messrs Paca & Alexander of the  
this Month, and are sorry to find we are likely to  
be disappointed in our Prospect of getting Cannon for  
New-York or Philadelphia, as they were immediately  
wanted for carrying into Execution the Resolutions  
of the Convention for fortifying the City of Annapolis  
and Baltimore Town, and as we are not  
certain whether Mr. Hughes, tho' he has already  
begun casting the Nine Pounders with some Success  
may be able to comply with his Contract for the  
heavy Cannon, with the Convention in Time. The  
purchased by Mr. Paca, we intended for the Ship Defense  
which is getting ready with all possible Expedition. We  
are obliged to you for the Attention you have given to our Request  
and the Resolution of the Convention relative to the Paper  
and Paper for the new Emission of Paper Money  
(and)