

Red Book [Peregrine Tilghman, Talbot County to Thos Sim Lee Esqr]  
 No. 23  
 March 15 Sir Your favor of the 13<sup>th</sup> Ins<sup>t</sup> is now before me I shall do all in My Power to forward the Flour &c in my Possession to Colo. Henry Hollingsworth as therein directed. In my Letter of the 7<sup>th</sup> Instant I meant to beg Your Opinion not only as to the Seizure of Wheat Flour &c purchased by the French Agents, but likewise as to the Purchase made by the Commissarys for the Use of our Army, Acting under Licence from you, on which Your Letter is silent. I wish not to be troublesome, but as I would avoid giving Uneasiness to Persons Acting under the Legal Authority of the State, I shall forbear taking into My Possession any Wheat, Flour &c Purchased by the Commissarys or their deputies having such License, Untill favor'd with Your Opinion particularly on the head, not being clear in my own either as to the Letter or Spirit of the Law respecting such purchases.

March 15 [John Green To The Honourable Govourner and Council]  
 I do agree To Serve in the State boat Dolphin as Commander For £150 p month, and to be allow'd for the use of my self and people 10 Gallons of rum 10 £bs Coffee or 1 £b<sup>s</sup> Tea with 12 £b<sup>s</sup> Shugar p month Likewise and to be allow'd provisions as has been usual In the State Servis my pay to Commence from the first day of this preasant Month

Sirs This is to inform you that I am desirous to know upon what terms I am to Continue as Commander of the boat Dolphin, and upon what terms I am to Ship men, for the said Boat, if the Wages and prevoldge allow'd me, is sufficient to support me, I am willing to Continue as Command<sup>r</sup> of the said boat, after being in the service for this three years past as an Officer, I hope it will pleas your Honours to think of me for servis done.

March 17 [John Moale Baltimore County Green Spring Forrest to Gov Lee]  
 S<sup>r</sup> Six days after I was qualified as one of the Commissioners for procureing Flour & other provisions for the Army, I was taken with the Gout, which confined me to my Bed three Weeks & to my House upwards of five, & am now only able to ride short Distances. I have collected in flour & Wheat to amount of near Two Hundred Barrells of Flour if my Health had continued, should have collected a much larger quantity, nevertheless am hopefull the State will not suffer much by my being incapable of acting as M<sup>r</sup> Stevenson collected in my Rideing & what remains I will try to get. during my illness M<sup>r</sup> Andrew Buchanan promised me to inform you of what I had done which he tells me he did, which is the reason I did not write to you before this. M<sup>r</sup> Buchanan informs me that it will not be disagreeable to you, to have the Flour stored at Fells Point, there-