

[The Petition endorsed by: Isaac Clare, Jarvis Avis, Richard Evrest, John Williams, Kinsey Gardner, Joseph Gardner, Lyas Dotson, John Mills, James Dotson, John Pautoy, William Gray, Tho<sup>s</sup> Gray, Eason Edmonds, Jn<sup>o</sup> Pitcher, Sam<sup>l</sup> Pitcher, Leonard Mills, Edward Trueman, F. Williams, Thos Boney.]

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[Bennett Mathews to Gov Lee]

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His Excellency Sir Wensday Septem<sup>r</sup> the fourth Calep Hall in the Boat Liberty came along side the Independance at North Point and Informed me he had stores for New Town Chester with your orders which I have Taken upon me to Stop and sent her back to Baltimore, which Sir I hope you will Excuse as there is no Passing the Bay at this time there Being a Large Ship Laying off Swan Point and two Tenders which came down the Bay to day one other Large Ship Stood down the Bay to Annapolis and at four o'clock in the Evening saw the smoke of several Cannon of Kent Island and soon after saw one Large Ship Standing up the Bay off Love Point, I shall still Continue my Station heere to watch if they make any attempt on this Port which I shall inform you with and shall give you all the Inteligence shall appear to me; I could wish the other Galleys was down the River as they would be of Great use as one Galley is two much Exposed with there Tenders & Boats to take a full view of them

P. S. Should the Bay be not clear to Morrow and you think Proper if David comes down I think we shall be able to Convoy Calip Hall across to Easton Neck there was three Large Ships went down Past Swan Point yesterday about four o'clock.

[Rebecker Phelps To his Excellency Thomas Sim Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Gov- erno<sup>r</sup> of Maryland, and To his Honourible Council] No Date

the Humbel Petition of Rebecker Phelps Widdow of James Phelps, who Departed this Life on yesterday the 26 of this instant, by a long and tedgus Spel of the Dropsey, which has Renderd him unabel to be of any Maner of assistance to himself or your Humbel Petitioner or his famely of poore helples Children, and has Redused your Petitioner by his sickness & the severity of Times, To the Necessity of Beggyn your Excellencys Releaf in Gettin him some plank to Make a Coffen, as it not in your Humble Petitioners power to purchase as Much, and I hope the Honble Council will Consider the Distress of their Humble Petitioner, and Distribute as Much as will inabel their Humble Petitioner to Burey her Deceased Husband, which will Ever in Dutey bound in Gage the prayers of your Petitioner.