

August 9

[James Hindman Talbot County to Gov. Lee]

Sir Since my last Letter to your Excellency, I have purchased of Mr Richard Barnaby an hundred Barrels of Flour at £67..10. which I shall send forward to the head of Elk as soon as possible. Mr James Lloyd Chamberlaine is indebted to the State £16000 which he is desirous of paying to me as fast as he can collect it, if agreeable to you, please to inclose me an order on him for that Sum, which I am to apply for the payment of the Flour.

Inclos'd is a List of the Number of Horses I have received from Sunday Nonjurars of this County and also a List of those I have received on my purchase. I could have completed my purchase of Horses before this time had I been furnished with Money, many people were willing to take such Certificates as would answer to pay their Tax as far as the Amount of it, but such Certificates as you directed me to give, not answering that Purpose no person will take them, I have received from the Collector of the Tax in this County £4500 on the order you gave me, and expect to day to receive the Balance, shall be obliged to you to send me another order on him for Money and Certificates both the sum as large as you can. The Treasurer informed me yesterday he had received no money since I was with him. Your Excellency will please to give Mr Sprigg an order for £2000 in Certificates for his horse. Your answer by Mr Gibson the Bearer will much oblige

August 9 [Jno. C. Harrison, Cambridge to The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> S. Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>]

Sir Yours of the 29<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> I have received unaccompanied with the orders on the Collector as mentioned at foot for £6000 in sound the Sum may do I shall expect to receive it by the return of the Bearer of this

I have received & granted Certificates for 4943 lbs of Bacon 5 Bb<sup>les</sup> of Pork 7 B<sup>les</sup> of Flour & 15 Bus. of Wheat the Farmers refuse Certificates for their Wheat over the Quantity that pays the Specific Tax the Crops this year are in few hands I expect no more Pork at the Price limited unless tis an entire Cash purchase.

Should your Excellency incline to furnish me with Cash a considerable Quantity of Beef on the Hoof may be had in this County I shall be glad to know how to proceed in regard to the Beef I may receive over the Specific Tax that is whether & in what form am I to grant a Certificate the Law being silent the People are now pretty well drained of Money & are desirous to sell Beef to enable them to pay the remaining Sum of ten Pounds with the Money or Certificates they may receive from . . . Beef which unless they can dispose of I am certain the collection will not be made in this County at the repeated Instance of Many I write this

I shall be glad to have the Bacon & Pork sent for or shall I get some small craft here to bring it