

September 8 Quantity of Both, to more than the amount of my Subscription, it will suit me better to Settle it in this way, and if it should answer your purpose as well you will please inform me by a line.

September 9 [Chas Blake, Corsica to His Excellency Thos. Sim Lee Esqr]

Sir I rec<sup>d</sup> y<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>cys</sup> favour of the 21 ult<sup>o</sup> by M<sup>r</sup> Feddeman M<sup>r</sup> Hemsley has advertis'd that the 15 p<sup>r</sup> C<sup>t</sup> may be discharged in wheat but none has yet come in. I have 1200 bus: for which I hourly expect a Craft by which I shall send to Col. Hollingsworth 3 barrels of pork and some bacon. There is now a Vessel load of Wheat going to Elk of 1500 bus: which I am to have if I can pay for it in three weeks, if not it will be sold by the Owner as it is wheat he is in debt for. If y<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>cy</sup> can lett me have the Cash I can secure that and much more, there is now to be had a great deal of wheat here at £22.10. M<sup>r</sup> Hemsley has rec<sup>d</sup> some Cash for the 15 p<sup>r</sup> C<sup>t</sup> and probably may receive a good deal more if I had an order on him for what he has or may receive it might assist till you could send a farther supply. If I had cash I could send of immediatly ten or fifteen thousand bus: I have the promise of some beef on the hoof but tis not yet in condition. I have to send an immediate answer by the way of Kent Island. I have had some letters sent via Rock Hall and some by Cambridge that did not come to hand in a long time.

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[Horatio Gates Hillsborough to Gov. Jefferson Copy]

Sir Intelligence of a very particular Sort, is just arrived from Camden, by a Person in whom we can confide; and no Doubt remains, but that he may have been imposed upon; by a Finesse of the Enemy. Since then two Deserters from the Enemy's 23<sup>d</sup> Regiment came in, and in a Manner confirm the Intelligence. It is as follows. That Lord Cornwallis is going immediatly, to embarque his Main Force at George Town, for Cape Fear, and has wrote to Sir Harry Clinton, to send a Reinforcement to take immediate Possession of Portsmouth in your State. That two Regiments of Hessians only, are to remain in Garrison at Charles Town. and the Seventh Regiment at Savanah. That a Guard would be left at Camden to cover the General Hospital, and send the sick and wounded as they recover to Charles Town.

The 63<sup>d</sup> Regiment had already marched down with the Prisoners and Bryants Corps. Tarleton with the Legion, was gone to the Waxhaws, to collect Horses for the Waggon, to take the Baggage down the Country. The Council of Officers who assembled Yesterday at my Quarters, were of Opinion, that I should immediatly, transmit this Intelligence to Your Excellency, that the Executive of your State might be preparing, to defeat the Enemy's Designs. Since I wrote your Excellency on the Colonel Marian of South Carolina has surprized a Party of the Enemy, near Santee River,