

June 12 immediately done, without taking it a Mile out of the Common road
 Red Book to Market—if the flour ground down with the Midlings in it will do
 No. 30 for M^r Smith I can furnish him with about five hundred B^{bls} in two
 Letter 85 weeks, if not I have no prospect of filling his request on this side
 Harvest, unless furnished with the wheat from elsewhere.

I this day waited on the Commissioners of Cecil to know what collections had been made in Money, that I might with the more propriety Insist on the commissarys compleating the remainder in the Specific way, supposing by that to be able to determine what could be done in this County, but find full returns have not been made them by the collectors of the Tax, so that I am here disappointed. the commissioners inform me that as the collectors have but two p^p C^t for collecting in the specific way, and four for the other, they give that the preference,

I wait with impatience your further orders, and from the present difficulties, am Imbolden'd to offer to your Excellency and Honours a few hints which have occur'd to me, regarding the Collecting Manufacturing and forwarding the flour and wheat, and also the collecting Butchering curing and forwarding provisions of the Meat kind which I shall do myself the Honour to communicate in my next,

P. S. by the law each Commissary is to collect and forward the specific supply of His county & to make returns monthly, if this was done I could know exactly what I could do, but as I am now to seek returns and in many cases forward the provisions, it throws me under difficulties and Great Imbarisments, I must therefore Intreat that as soon as possible a sum of money be sent me to Enable me to Execute your orders in forwarding the flour to this place.

June 12 [Dan'l of St. Thos Jenifer and Dan'l Carroll, Philad'a to His
 Red Book Excellency T. S. Lee.]
 No. 5
 Letter 72

Your Excellencys Letters of the 2^d & 4th Inst^t came to hand last night

If arms are to be had in Philadelphia for Flour, or Tobacco, we shall endeavor to contract for them on behalf of the State. We wish that you had mentioned the time and place of delivery of these Articles; essentials we apprehend necessary to be known before any person will engage to make a Contract with us.

Had we experienced the most partial supply of Money, it would have been of Service. Perhaps the intended scheme of raising money from Tobacco may prove as abortive to us as that of Flour. We have been reduced to the humiliating circumstance of attempting to borrow without success. If the Tob^o that M^r Key is to transport, lies on Potomack, we cannot hope for any relief from it, as we shall be under the necessity of decamping before he can get it to this place.

Congress hitherto, has refused to allow the Shipping of Flour for the purpose of paying Debts contracted by our officers at New York.