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Port Tobacco May 27th 1779.

May it please your Excellency

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Since my last return for
Cloathing our recruits have encreased to twenty & we
expect to augment that number in a few days I
have therefore made another return for such articles
as we may want ~~—~~ Our provision at this place
is nearly exhausted and it will be attended with in-
convenience and great disadvantage to the recruiting
service unless a supply can shortly be furnished us—
I intended to have sent these recruits to Camp this week
but as the enemies Ships & force, are in the Bay I
thought it most advisable to detain them, whenever you
think there will not be any occasion for them in Maryland I
shall be obliged to you for that information — provision
may be bought here if money was furnished and a person
appointed for that purpose — I am

Yr Excellency's
Most Obt Hble
Servt
J. H. Stone

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