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Portobacco 15th april 1780

Sir

The Bearer Mr. Edw.d Hamilton is desireous and willing to accept of a Commission in the Maryland Line, I have advised him to wait on you for your recommendation to the Governor & Council.

I am Sir your most Hble Servant

Jos. Marbury

Colo. Forrest.

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Trembles near Morris Town 25th March 1780

Dear Gen.l

I beg leave to call your attention for a short time, respecting, or Item of, the unjust, partial, distribution of the Blue Cloth, sent up by the State of Maryland for the use of her Officers, Some time after Mr. Randall had received the Cloth brought up by Mr. Keeport he took upon himself to deliver it Individually, no day or time was appointed for a delivery, no method taken to proportion the Cloth to the different Regim.ts agreable to its Quality, or quantity, & altho I demanded of Mr. Randall the time he meant to deliver the Cloth to the Officers, it was kept from me while the prime & greatest part was delivered, & this delivery was made on the very day, that I requested of Mr. Randall to know when we might attend for our proportions of the Cloth, finding this to be the case I applied to Gen.l Gist, who Commanded the Maryland Division, to give some order respecting the matter, that Justice might be done to the Officers; that Conceiving themselves injured, his reply was, that he did not think the distribution proper, one; but that he had not authority

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