

wherein I have your Country and coming to fight for your Brethren, I thank  
you for the Hair which you have given me, and regard it as a Testimony of your Bravery  
and Memorial of your Friendship in which I find you a Bold of Warlike, which you  
will I hope send home to your People, and desire the young Men to take hold thereof  
and to do as you have already done.

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday the seventh  
Day of May, in the seventh Year of his Lordship's Dominion Annoque  
Domini 1757.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor  
The honourable } Benjamin Tasker Esq. } Col. Benjamin Tasker  
} Col. Charles Hammond } Benedict Calvert Esq.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Petition and Letter.

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor of Maryland  
The humble Petition of Daniel Wolstenholme of Annapolis Merchant.

Sheweth

That your Petitioner having lately received Orders from Christopher Mibby Esq.  
one of the Contractors for his Majesty's Troops in North America to ship a Quantity of  
Provisions for the Use of the Forces to be employed in the Defence of South Carolina, has a  
Ship lying in Severn River called the Elizabeth Edmund Rutland Master ready to  
sail with Part of the said Provisions on board. Your Petitioner therefore agreeable to  
Instructions given him which are ready to be produced to your Excellency humbly requests  
your Excellency's Permission for said Vessel to depart this Service on her intended Voyage  
and as in Duty bound he will ever pray &c.

Dan. Wolstenholme.

Daniel Wolstenholme Esq.

Philadelphia 25. March 1757.

You are hereby desired to purchase and convey to Mr. Benjamin Stead  
Merchant in Charles Town in South Carolina with the best and most effectual manner  
100 of Flour, and 350 of Bread for the use of the Forces to be vittualled in that Province  
at the Expence of the Crown, and as a special Licence may possibly be necessary for the  
said Vessel to be dispatched, or some others that may follow hereafter, you please to  
apply to Governor Sharpe with this Letter, and request his Orders and Directions for  
that Purpose, for the Cost and Charges attending this Service, and your Commission there.