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Dear Sir,

The great scarcity of grain in this State, - the distress of the Inhabitants - and the number of men that my brothers have to feed in the common order of their business, together with the increased number they now employ in manufacturing a large quantity of tools for the ^{W^m} Generals department - Have put them upon the measure of attempting to import a quantity of Flour from the State of New York -

This will be handed you by Mr. Christopher Goune a brother of mine who has the direction of the business - He will apply to your Excellency for a permit, which I must beg you to grant him; both from a regard to the distress of the People, and to promote the business of the Quarter
Master

Master General's department under their directi

on

I have the honor to be with the
greatest respect

Your Excellency's most Obed^t

Humble servant

Wm Greene MG

Apr. 14th 1774
Letter from Genl. Green
requesting a permit for his
brother to export some
flour for public use.

His Excellency

Gov. Clinton