

the people have had a meeting for that purpose & have made choice of the following Gentlemen viz^t Fielder Bowie Esq^r Captain, Mess^{rs} Robert Bowie first Lieutenant, William Newman Dorsett second Lieutenant, and George Gant Ensign. As its necessary their Commissions should immediately issue, I am desired by the Company to apply for them, & a messenger is sent on purpose I must therefore request you will direct your Clerk to fill up the Commissions with the names of the above Gentlemen and inclose them to me by the return of this express who will wait for that purpose. I am Gen^t with great regard

Your most ob^t hum^{ble} Ser^t Joseph Sims.

Monday 19 Feb. 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present the same members as on Saturday except M^r Hall.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Thomas Crackells thirty Shillings for riding Express from Marlborough to this City.

A Copy of Letter N^o 18 was sent to the Committee of Safety in Philadelphia.

Ordered That the paymaster of the Forces of this Province pay to Lieutenant Thomas Goldsmith fifteen pounds on Account of Captain Fulford's Artillery Company.

Adjourned till 3 o'Clock & met according to Adjournment.

A Copy of Letter N^o 19 was sent to Gustavus Scott Esquire of Somerset County.

Ordered that the paymaster pay to Capt. Barton Lucas One hundred Pounds on Account of his Company.

Ordered That John Youst deliver unto Capt. Barton Lucas (for training his men) or his Order all the Muskets &c. which he has made for the use of this Province, and have been proved by Mess^{rs} Richard Thompson & Thomas Richardson, and transmit an Account of the number he shall deliver, to the Council of Safety.

Ordered that a Letter be sent to the several Supervisors of Saltpetre works in this Province, respectively in the following Words, to wit

Sir,

The Committee of Safety for the City of Philadelphia have been kind enough to offer the Council of Safety that the Managers of their public Saltpetre works should instruct any Persons that we might recommend to them for that Purpose.