

Expence of the Carriage of Powder & Arms ordered to be sent from Philadelphia to Chester Town under the Care of M^r Houston. C. S. J.

Copy of Letter N^o 77 was sent to the Committee of Observation for Kent County.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore pay to Lieut. Moses Chaille three hundred and fifty Pounds Currency on Account of Capt. Watkins' Company.

Copy of Letter N^o 78 was sent to the Deputies of this Province in Congress, and Copy of N^o 79 to the Committee of Observation for Charles County.

M^r Charles Wallace produced and delivered to the Council unsigned Bills of Credit to the Amount of £6000 Currency, which he was ordered to bring from the Treasurer of the Eastern Shore.

Ordered That the same be delivered to the Treasurer of the Western Shore.

Copy of Letter N^o 80 was sent to the Chairman of the Committee of Observation for the Middle District of Frederick County.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Silas Howell, W^m Sellars and John Wilson (whose Vessel was taken from them in Chesapeak Bay by the Otter Sloop of War) thirty Shillings each to defray their Expence to Philadelphia.

Adjourned till next Day 9 O'Clock.

[Council to Calvert Committee.]

C. S. C.
No. 75.

To the Committee of Observation for Calvert County
Gent^l

As it was thought by the last Convention that 50 Regular Troops would be sufficient to watch the Movements of the Ships of War and their Tenders on your Coast and to repel any sudden Attack or Invasion which might be attempted by small Parties, and as we do not conceive your Situation more dangerous now than it was then, so we cannot think ourselves at Liberty to station an additional Number of Men in your County. We wish to prevent the Militia's being harassed, and apprehend when Capt Beall arrives at his Station, which we imagine will be by the last of next Week there will not be any occasion for them to move unless a more formidable Force should come up the Bay than has yet appeared, which we have no Reason to expect for some Time; under which Circumstance the Number you speak of would not avail, and the Militia would be under a Necessity of taking the Field.

We have renewed our Orders to the Committee of Observa-