

P. S. I take the liberty herewith to send an extract from C. S. C. Dr Brownriggs treatise of making salt, the climate is so suitable, & there are so many places on our sea coasts where neither man of War nor cutters can come, where salt may be made in plenty, that it is hoped some persons of sufficient judgment & application will immediately undertake it. the extract was made for the benefit of those who are unacquainted with the original, to which recourse may be had by those who are disposed to manufacture white salt any account of your success in these undertakings must give great pleasure to all lovers of America.

R. T. P.

Friday 29 March 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as yesterday.

Copy of Letter N^o 95 was sent to Mess^{rs} John Hanson, Charles Beatty and James Johnson, Frederick County; and Copy of N^o 96 to Col. Joshua Beall of Prince Georges County.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Thomas Smyth Esq^r thirty five Pounds sixteen Shillings for 49 Days Attendance as a member of this Council, and for thirty Shillings by him paid for the Carriage of powder &c. as per account.

M^r Smyth has Leave of Absence.

Adjourned till next Day 9 O'Clock.

[Council to Hanson and others.]

C. S. C.
No. 95.

To John Hanson, Ch^s Beatty & Jas. Johnson

Gentⁿ Our regular Troops are not yet provided with Arms but ought to be in a very short Time, if we could have a Supply of Gun Locks from you. We desire therefore to be informed in what Forwardness you have got your Manufactory and when you expect to furnish us with some.

29th March 1776

[Council to Beall.]

No. 96.

To Col^o Joshua Beall

Sir. The Council of Safety desire you will immediately examine into the Quality of the Powder now under your charge and give them a particular Account of the Quantities of Cannon and Fine.

29th March 1776