

[Hopkins to Council.]

Original.

Baltimore May 5th 1776.

Gentlemen. Agreeable to an order Received from you this day, I have sent one half of every kind of linnen which was in the Magazine viz. Forty Pieces Roles, seventy four Pieces Hessings Forty Five Pieces Oznabrigs and two and half reams Cartridge Paper it being all the paper now in Magazine: I shall render an acco^t by Cap^t Fulford of all stores now in the Magazine: The musquets which came in Cap^t Tibbitt was delivered to Cap^t Nath^l Smith agreeable to an order from you, which was all I have had in the Magazine except one received from Major Gist which he bought for the Province, I did not agree with the Skipper Paul Miller for the Freight of the Linnens you'l please to settle with him:

I am y^r mo: Hum^l Serv^t

Gerrard Hopkins son R^d

P. S. Cap^t Smith has 55 musquets.

Monday 6 May 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as on Saturday except M^r Smyth. M^r Tilghman attended.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to M^r Samuel Miller three Pounds Currency for Boat hire.

Adjourned till next Day.

[Portteus to Council.]

Original.

Baltimore 6th May 1776.

Honourable Sirs, Some time ago I did myself the pleasure of waiting on you with two letters of Recommendation, one from William Lux Esq^r the other from Major Gist, Intimating that I was willing to serve this Country as far as my abillities was able, as I am Informed there is at present some Resignations, I hope your Honours will be so kind as to think of me, and Grant any Commission that you may think my Character most deserving of, or if not now at any time hereafter that may be most Convenient. I hope if I am so Happy as to be granted a Commission that I shall Discharge my trust with Fortitude & Honour & shall never be Backward when Occasion Requires I have the Honour to subscribe myself Honourable Sirs.

Your most obed^t Hble. Serv^t Rob^t Portteus