

c. s. J. Ordered That Permit be made out for Seth Paddock of the colony of Massachusetts Bay to load his sloop May Flower with provisions or other commodities, not prohibited to be exported by congress; he giving security to this board, not to land his Cargoe at any Port inimical to America, and to conform himself in all things, to the resolves of the Honorable Continental Congress.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western shore pay to James Taylor, fifteen pounds, thirteen shillings, and eleven pence, for Gun Carriages.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Isaac Harris forty six pounds, three shillings, in part of his Acc<sup>t</sup> as Armourer.

Ordered That Colonel Smallwood be requested to send a commissioned officer and six privates to guard the Powder from Chester Town to the City of Annapolis.

Ordered That the Committee of Observation for Kent County be requested to deliver to M<sup>r</sup> Jos<sup>h</sup> Middleton, all the public Powder now lodged in M<sup>r</sup> Sluby's warehouse at Chester Town.

Ordered That M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Middleton immediately prepare his Boat, and go therewith to Chester Town, and receive from the Committee of Observation of Kent County, all the public powder now lodged there, and bring the same to Annapolis.

The following memorial was presented to the Convention, by the Council of Safety.

“To the Honorable Matthew Tilghman Esq<sup>r</sup> President, and the other members of the honorable Convention.

“The memorial of the Council of Safety Sheweth, that at last December Session it was resolved, “that the sum of five thousand nine hundred pounds be appropriated to fortify the City of Annapolis, and place obstructions in the Channel of the river and that the same should be laid out for the purposes afs<sup>d</sup> by the Council of Safety thereafter to be appointed, if it should appear practicable to them to erect such fortifications, and lay such obstructions for that sum, exclusive of the Cost of Cannon, powder, and the like, as would prevent men of war approaching the said City.

“The Council of Safety have not raised any fortifications, in consequence of said resolve, because it was not practicable in their opinion to fortify the City, and place obstructions in the channel of the river, for the sum to which they were limited by the resolve. they conceived it could not be done effectually without a much more considerable sum. the river Severn between the two points, at the mouth thereof, is near fifteen hundred yards over, the channel upwards of eight hundred yards, in some places the water twenty feet deep and more, as will appear by a Chart thereof, to which your memo-