C. S. J.   Ordered That said Treasurer pay to said Hammond sixteen shillings and eight Pence, Balance of Acc^{ts} of his Comp^y on duty, on Otter Alarm.

      Adjourned 'till next Day 10 o'Clk.

C. S. C.   [Council to Hollingsworth.]
No. 134.

Col. Henry Hollingsworth

    Sir.   We request you will provide Provisions and Baggage Waggons at the Head of Elk for our Troops as they arrive there on their march to Philadelphia, and from time to time transmit us your accounts.

    15th August 1776

Original.   [Brooke to M. Tilghman.]

            Lower District Frederick County 15th Aug. 1776.

    Sir.   Finding my Enemies have been so far successfull in poisoning the minds of the 29th Battalion of Militia, that a majority are against my acting as Major, I therefore take the liberty of inclosing you my commission.   I wou'd not have it understood by this Resignation, that I have deserted the common Cause; no Sir, I will most cheerfully when necessary, hazard my life & fortune, in defence of the Rights and Liberties of America.   Impressed with the deepest concern & warm'd with resentment of the measures pursued by a venal and corrupt Parliament, I stept forth with the foremost of my countrymen in opposition to the Tyrannical encroachments of Great Britain.   Appealing to that Divine Being who searches the heart, I can safely declare I have been actuated by no other motive than the publick good & I flatter myself that every impartial person who takes a retrospective view of my conduct will find it uniform.   If I have erred, it has been the fault of my head & not of my heart.   With the most ardent wishes for the happiness and prosperity of the United States of America.

           I am, Sir.   Your Most obed^t Hble Servant.

                        Richd Brooke

Original.   [Cecil Committee to Council.]

            Cecil County, In Committee Augt 15th 1776.

    Gentlemen.   We wrote you on the 6th instant informing you of our proceedings respecting the two companies raised in this county for the Flying Camp, and least it should have miscarried on its way, we now send a duplicate of that letter, as we have not as yet received any answer to it.   We now