[Council to James Calhoun.]

C. S. C. No. 171.

Sir. February 22^d 1777

We are obliged by your information about the prison & are of opinion that the committee without loss of time appoint some proper person in whom they can confide to take care of the prisoners therein & find them provision. This in all probability will not continue longer than till the qualification of the Governor & his Council, when commissions will issue to the several elected Sheriffs & is a necessary step which we conceive must be immediately taken to prevent those people being let at large who ought to be kept under confinement lames Calhoun Esquire

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James Calhoun Esquire, Chairman of Balt. Committee

[Council to Capt. Cook.]

No. 172.

Sir. February 22^d 1777

We are in great want of 6 four pounders to fit out a Galley immediately for a particular expedition down the Bay we should be obliged to you to let M^r Steward have them and you may depend upon their being returned before the Defence can be ready to proceed on a cruize

We are &c

[G. L. Gibson to Council.]

The Hon^{ble} The Council of Safety. 22nd February 1777.

Gentlemen. Captain Patterson for whom I went appearance Bail to your House, has applied for my approbation to be employed by you in the public service. I have not the least objection to his going, provided in case of accident, he should be lost in such service, that I may not be culpable for his non-appearance, agreable to the bond I have with him joined in.

I am Gentlemen, Your most obed Service. L. Gibson.

[Secretary Peters to Governor and Council.]

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War Office, Feby. 22 1777

Gentlemen: I am directed by the Board of War to request you will be pleased to furnish D' Samuel M'Kenzie Director of the Hospital at Baltimore with such Medicines as he shall require out of the Store belonging to your State. As soon as they can be replaced by Congress it shall be done or the Value paid if you require it. I have the Honour to be

your very obed¹ Servant Richard Peters, Sec⁹

Honourable Governor & Ric Council of the State of Maryland