

c. B. M^r Ridgely and M^r Stevenson from the House of Delegates delivers to the Governor the following Resolve.

By the House of Delegates March 20, 1778.

Resolved That the Governor and the Council be empowered to Dispatch immediately a Messenger to Congress requesting a Supply of One hundred thousand Dollars on Account of the United States for the purpose of purchasing Provisions for the Continental Army.

By order G Duvall Cl H. D.

Which said Resolve was thus endorsed By the Senate March 20th 1778. Read and assented to

R. Ridgely Cl. Sen.

c. C.

[Council to R. Stevens.]

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In Council 20th March 1778.

Sir.

We send Capt. Matthews to Cambridge for all the Public Goods which are lodged there; you'll therefore please to deliver them to the Captain and dispatch him as fast as possible.

We are Sir &^{ca}

M^r, Robertson Stevens

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[Council to Laurens.]

In Council Annapolis 20th March 1778.

Sir

We inclose your Excellency a Copy of a Resolve of the General Assembly requesting Congress to supply one hundred thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing Provisions for the Continental Army which we beg you will lay before Congress and, we flatter ourselves, that Honorable Body will make the desired Provision. The Assembly are now on a Bill which we hope will be perfected Tomorrow, for immediately collecting what Provisions can be spared from this State on Certificates with or without Consent of the Proprietors and giving the Executive the necessary Powers to answer the Views of Congress, as to the Transportation of Provisions for the Use of the Army but a speedy Remittance of Money to defray the Expences, will greatly facilitate the Business.

We have the Honor to be

Your Excel^{ys} most
obed^t Serv^{ts}

The President in Congress.