

tion of our Correspondence with Europe has distressed us for c. c. the necessary Articles to carry on the War against Great Britain, but Heaven has blessed our Endeavours with signal Successes and a Continuance of our Exertions, to which we are spurred by every Species of Insult and Cruelty, we trust, will confirm the Independance we justly and necessarily assumed. I am willing to flatter myself that the Means of supplying, in some Degree, our more immediate Wants in Arms or Cloathing for our Troops, may open, on a Conversation with M<sup>r</sup> Hughes and that your Inclination may correspond, if your Excellency should entertain such a Favourable Disposition, any Engagement of M<sup>r</sup> Hughes will be acknowledged and made good by this State, with a due Sense of the Obligation.

I have the Honor to be  
To the Governor of New Orleans. Sir &<sup>ca</sup>

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 1778

C. B.

Present as on yesterday. Thomas Sim Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Attended.

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Captain Beriah Maybury Fifty Pounds on Account.

That the said Treasurer pay to Thomas Sparrow twenty seven Pounds sixteen Shillings and six pence Balance of Account passed by the Committee of Claims

That the said Treasurer pay to George P. Keeports one hundred & fifty five Pounds eleven Shillings and eleven pence due him per Acc<sup>t</sup> passed by the Com of Claims

That the said Treasurer pay to Geo. P. Keeports Thirty three pounds nine Shillings and seven Pence for the use of Peter Mackenheimer, two hundred and Thirty two Pounds ten Shillings for the use of Samuel Messersmith, eleven Pounds thirteen Shillings and four Pence for the use of Joshua Dudley and the further Sum of ten Pounds ten Shillings for the use of George Lindenburger as per Accounts passed by the Committee of Claims.

John Bryan and Henry Spencer of Queen Anne's County took the Oath of Fidelity and Support to this State according to the late Act & Cert<sup>a</sup> given

[Forbes to Johnson.]

York Town March 24<sup>th</sup> 1778.

C. C.  
Original.

Dear Sir

Yours of the 21<sup>st</sup> Ins<sup>t</sup> by M<sup>r</sup> Howard came to hand yesterday, by him you will receive the 100000 Dollars, the State of Mary<sup>d</sup> to be accountable for the same, as M<sup>r</sup> Howard cou'd