

C. S. J. Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mr Henry Barnes One hundred and twenty Pounds Currency for Subsist and Advance Money for Capt. John Stone's Recruits.

Ordered That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mr Benjamin Ford sixty Pounds Currency to be lodged with Mr Thomas Johnson at Frederick Town or in his Absence, to be left with Mess^{rs} Charles Beatty and Baker Johnson, to be by them laid out in the purchase of Gunlocks.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mr Benjamin Ford One hundred Pounds Currency to be lodged with Mess^{rs} Charles Beatty & Baker Johnson to enable them to advance for Rifles for the use of Cap^t George Stricker's Company of Light Infantry.

Council adjourns till Monday next to meet at Baltimore Town.

C. S. C.
No. 5.

[Council to Comm^{ee} of Prince George's Co.]

To the Committee of Observation for Prince George's County.
23 January 1776.

Gentⁿ

The late Convention having resolved that the Records should be removed from the City of Annapolis and directed the Council of Safety to provide a fit and proper place for them, and we having determined they should be carried to Upper Marlborough, if a safe and convenient Place can be procured for them there, request you will examine into the State & Condition of the Court House of your County in which, if it will answer, we had rather the Records should be lodged; but if it will not, of any of the vacant Houses in the Town and provide one which you may apprehend best adapted to the purpose upon such reasonable Rent as you may agree for.

No. 6.

[Council to Maryland Deputies.]

To the Deputies of Maryland in Congress.

23rd Jan^{ry} 1776

Gentⁿ

Mr Maynard who will deliver this to you is going with Letters to New York from the Governor to Mr Foxcroft. The package covers three other letters which are intended to go by the Packett, two of them to William Eden Esq. which the Governor on his Honour assures us contain nothing unfriendly to America, the other to Lord Dartmouth, which we have seen, inclosing Copies of the Instructions of the Convention to their Deputies in Congress and also of the Declaration, with his