enough to put to repaired muskets are to be had in town I c. s. c. wish you^d send up about 60 to purchase them M^r Beatty my Brother or myself will do it if you please. Price tells me he gained an acquaintance with one Royston at the Camp of the Artillary, who was a very clever young man & desires to come to the south and from Prices account of him he would be very serviceable in our second artillery Comp^r & he would be well satisfied with a first Lieutenancy I wish if there's still room that he may be preferred to it, a trifling circumstance prevented his coming with Price and he even talked of following him. Maj^r Price writes to him that troops are raising in this province & that it is likely he will be employed which he says he dare say will bring him with a strong recommendation from Gen¹ Gates to whom he is well known.

I am Gent yr most obt

Th. Johnson Jun'

[Veazey & Thompson to Council.]

Original.

Cecil County 29th January 1776

Gent

The Bearer hercof Capt Robert Craig an Inhabitant of this County, has now a Brigantine well fitted lying in Sassafras River and is very desirous of being employed by the Publick for the purpose of importing Arms and Ammunition. he is a person of property and by his Conduct appears to be well attached to the American Cause, from his long experience at Sea is well acquainted with foreign Ports, we therefore think him a proper person to be employed, and as such beg leave to recommend him to you. We are

Gentlemen, your most obedient Hum. S^{ts}
John Veazey Jun^r
Jn° D. Thompson.

Tuesday 30 January 1776.

C. S. J.

Council met. Present the same Members as yesterday.

The following Advertisement was ordered to be published.

By the Council of Safety.

All persons who are desirous to contract for supplying the Troops raised in this Province with the Rations allowed by the late Convention are requested to attend the Council of Safety at the City of Annapolis on the 15th Day of February next and deliver in their Proposals which will be duly attended to.

A Ration as settled by the Convention to consist &c.

Ordered That 100 Hand Bills of the same be immediately printed.