

- c. s. j. That two Gentlemen of the Committee of Observation for Prince George's County be requested to receive the Records at Queen Anne on Wednesday next, and conduct them from thence, if a fair Day, to Upper Marlborough, when they are to be lodged in the Store houses of Mess^{rs} Samuel Hepburn and David Craufurd agreeable to an Order of this Council.
Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

No. 9.

[Council to Deputies in Congress.]

To the Deputies of Maryland in Congress

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Gentlemen :

Immediately on the receipt of M^r Alexander's of the 20th of Jan^y with the Resolution of the Congress we appointed Gentlemen in each County of this Province to collect all the Gold and Silver they could in their several counties, the amount of which you shall be acquainted with as soon as we are informed of it by them. We have also received a letter from Mess^{rs} Paca and Alexander of the 2nd of this month and are sorry to find we are likely to be disappointed in our prospects of getting cannon from New York or Philadelphia as they were immediately wanted for carrying into Execution the Resolution of the Convention for fortifying the City of Annapolis and Baltimore Town and as we are not certain whether M^r Hughes, tho' he has already begun casting the nine pounders with some success, may be able to comply with the contract for the heavy cannon with the convention in time. Those purchased by M^r Paca are intended for the Ship Defence which is getting ready with all possible expedition. We are obliged to you for the attention you have given to our request and the resolution of the convention relative to the Plates and Paper for the New Emission of paper money and should most readily conform to your advice and agree to the striking the money at Philadelphia by the persons you mention, but we think ourselves in that particular ty'd up by the Resolve of the Convention which requires that the Bills be printed and struck under the direction of "two Freeman of the Province to be appointed as supervisors by the Council of Safety who are to receive 20/ p day" and it would be difficult to get two that would attend at Philadelphia during the time of printing.

We have been long in the expectation of receiving the Powder from Mess^{rs} Willing and Morris which they engaged to supply us with and for which the money was lodged in their hands but have not as yet been favored by them with any thing on that Head, we need not acquaint you that it is an